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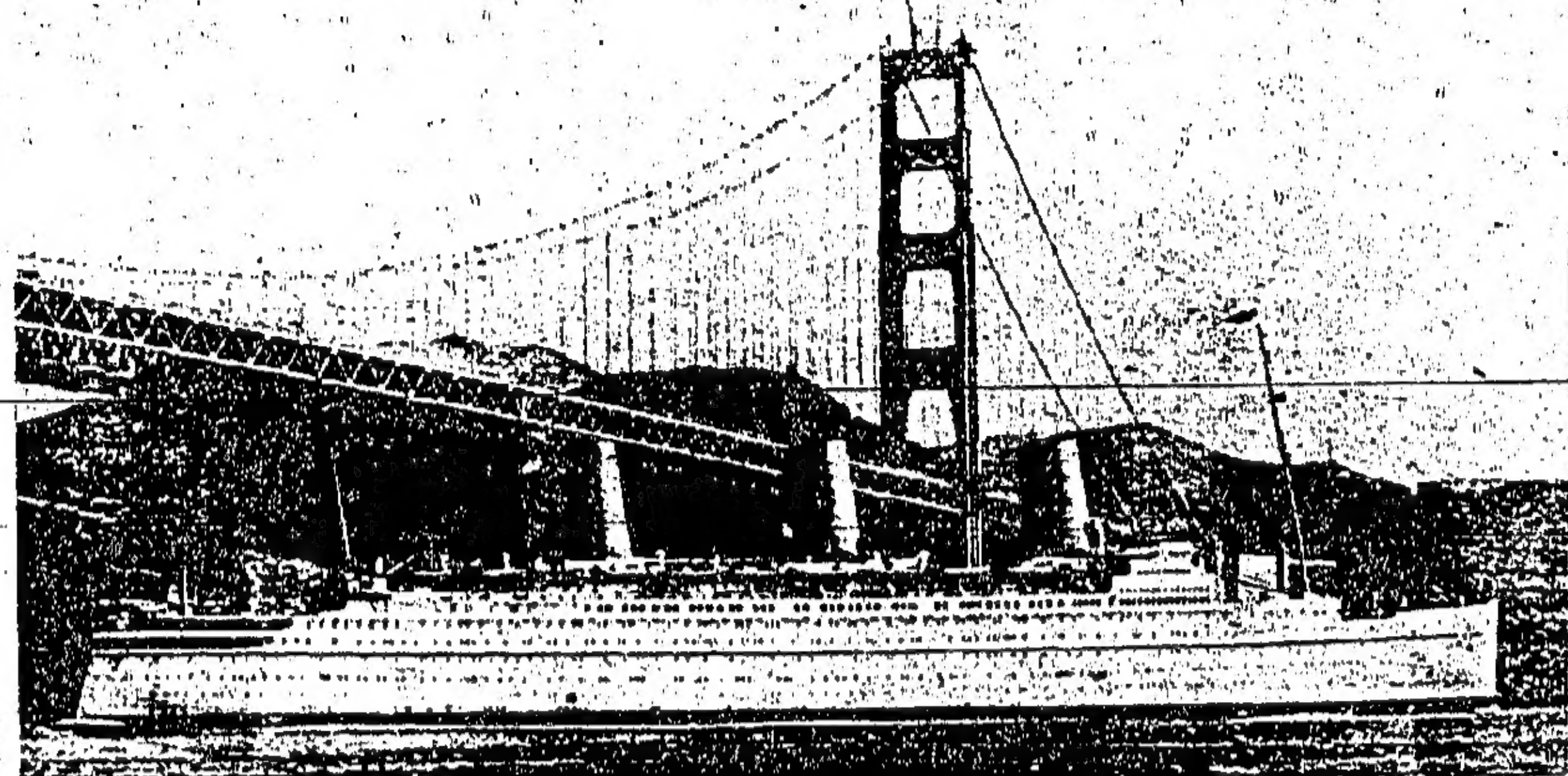
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Empress Of Britain Lost



An admiralty announcement has confirmed that the Canadian Pacific liner EMPRESS OF BRITAIN (42,348 tons) was lost as the result of enemy action. She was attacked by enemy aircraft and set on fire necessitating those on board to abandon ship. As she was being towed the Empress of Britain blew up and sank.

There were 643 people on board, chiefly families of soldiers and some troops; 598 have since been landed by British warships, according to a Reuter message from London last night.

The Empress of Britain, which was 733 feet in length, was built in 1931 and was a caller at Hongkong on her world cruises since that year. She was the pride of the Canadian Pacific Fleet.

A German High Command communique appears on Page 4, Col. 3.

ITALY MAKING FOR EASIER GAME IN GREECE

Strengthened By German Troops Moved Into Albania

LONDON, OCT. 28 (REUTER)—ITALY HAD JIBBED AT ATTACKING EGYPT AND IS MAKING FOR WHAT SEEMS AN EASIER GAME IN GREECE, SAYS REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.

The Italians have geographical advantages against Greece as compared with Egypt in that their lines of communication are shorter. Also it is not improbable that they have been strengthened by German troops, who are believed to have been moved into Albania in preparation for the coming coup.

The Greek Army, which was caught not fully mobilised, can, however, be expected to make a good show against the Italians, as they will be fighting with their backs to the sea. Unless overwhelmed by superiority of Italian armoured and air forces, they are as good as not better than the Italian fighters and are capable of rising to great heights of courage.

It would appear that the Italians are counting chiefly upon their mechanical equipment to give them an advantage, but the rocky, barren hills of the Epiros, where the first contact is taking place, are distinctly in favour of the defence.

NOT SURPRISING

It is not surprising that Greece has appealed to Great Britain for "certain assistance" to implement her guarantee.

N. ATLANTIC COLLISION TRAGEDY

OTTAWA, Oct. 28 (Reuter)—The loss of the destroyer Marguerite, with 140 officers and men, is announced by the Naval Service headquarters. It is believed that 31 men were saved.

The Marguerite went down in the North Atlantic submarine zone after a collision with a large merchant ship on the night of Oct. 22. Neither vessel showed any lights.

TODAY'S WAR SUMMARY

ITALY AND GREECE ARE AT WAR. A 3 a.m. ultimatum presented to the Greek Government demanding, it is believed, the cession of certain strategic points to Italy, was rejected by the Prime Minister of Greece who told the Italian Minister at Athens that he regarded the ultimatum as a declaration of war. The Greek Government has appealed to the British Government for certain assistance. Italian forces crossed the Albanian-Greek frontier at 8 a.m. yesterday, on the expiration of the time limit.

OIL REFINERIES AND OIL PLANTS IN GERMANY were attacked by the Royal Air Force on Sunday night as were goodyards at Krefeld, Hamm and Mannheim and the Channel ports of Flushing, Ostend and Lorient. The R.A.F. also attacked the Dodecanese Islands.

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC LUXURY LINER Empress of Britain, well-known in Hongkong, has been lost as the result of enemy action. It is officially confirmed in an Admiralty announcement.

THE JARDINE STEAMER MINGSANG, while on a journey from Hongkong to Shanghai, was called upon to stop by a Japanese destroyer. A search was made and the ship was allowed to proceed.

THERE IS NO CONFIRMATION IN OFFICIAL Chinese circles of an alleged Franco-Chinese clash on the Indo-China border.

This probably means help from naval and air arm which naturally can be most quickly on the scene.

From the international standpoint, the chief interest now centres in the attitude of the Turkish Government. Although it is unlikely that Turkish troops can be moved to help Greece, they can bring pressure to bear upon Bulgaria, should that country be pressed by the Axis Powers to choose this moment to seek an outlet on the Aegean Sea.

It must be admitted to the credit of Bulgaria that she seems at present unwilling to be the cat's paw of the Axis Powers.

Finally, in the background is Russia, whose influence on the attitude of the activities of Turkey may be all important.

AXIS MEETING

The Hitler-Mussolini meeting today at Florence seems to suggest that the Duce has been taking his own line against Greece, possibly because he has been left out in the cold during the German talks with the Vichy Government. Once again Hitler has had to swallow his pride and make the longer journey to attend the meeting.

It would, however, be idle to assume that the relations between the Axis partners will be allowed to show any deterioration.

P.I. Pressure On Japanese

TOKYO, Oct. 28 (Reuter)—Japanese residents in the Philippines, particularly businessmen, are faced with the growing official pressure. Mr. Hanshiro Minematsu, a hemp dealer in Dayao told the Press on his arrival yesterday at Yokohama. The Philippine Government, Mr. Minematsu charged, "confiscated" the fishing rights of the Japanese and further forbade them to renew business agreements with the Philippines.

This, he said, was creating a critical situation for the Japanese engaged in fishing.

ITALIAN TROOPS CROSS BORDER FROM ALBANIA: BRITAIN WILL HONOUR PLEDGE TO AID GREECE

Dramatic Rejection Of 3 a.m. Ultimatum

GREECE HAS BEEN AT WAR WITH ITALY SINCE SIX O'CLOCK YESTERDAY MORNING, ITALIAN TROOPS HAVING CROSSED THE BORDER FROM ALBANIA HALF-AN-HOUR BEFORE THAT TIME, AND THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT WILL HONOUR ITS PLEDGE TO ASSIST GREECE AGAINST HER INVADERS.

News reaching official circles in London yesterday stated that the Italian Minister in Athens, Signor Grazzi, called on the Greek Prime Minister, General Metaxas, at three o'clock on Monday morning and presented demands involving the military occupation by Italy of certain strategic points "for the duration of the war against Britain."

The Greek Government rejected the demands, which were presented in the form of an ultimatum, which was to expire at six o'clock yesterday morning.

The Greek Prime Minister who described this procedure as tantamount to a declaration of war, issued a statement saying: "Italy does not recognise our rights, as a free people, to national and independent existence. They want certain sections of our national territory and I consider these demands as a declaration of war against Greece."

"We shall now prove that we are worthy of our ancestors and the liberty of our forefathers before us. And now, on to battle. We are determined to defend our honour integrity and independence. We will fight to the death and we are resolved to die, if necessary, but to die like men."

King George of Greece issued a proclamation yesterday which stated: "The Prime Minister has informed you under what conditions we are obliged to fight Italy, which has made certain demands against the integrity of Greece. I am sure all Greeks will do their duty to the end. The whole nation is ready to fight as one man until victory."

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Gen. Metaxas, Prime Minister of Greece

Excuse For Demands By Italy

The excuse offered by the Italians for the demands made on Greece, states a London message, is that the Greeks have been granting the use of their territorial waters and have placed strategic points at Britain's disposal.

This is completely denied in London.

Potential War Strength Of Greece

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter)—The Greek Army consists of 80,000 regulars and its potential war strength is about 500,000 men.

The Greek Air Force ordinarily comprises of ten groups of three fighters, but there is reason to believe that this strength has recently been considerably augmented.

The Navy consists of 613 vessels of various types, the principal of which are the armoured cruiser Averoff and ten destroyers, four of which are of modern construction, 13 torpedo boats, six submarines and four motor torpedo boats.

Last August, the Greek cruiser Helle was torpedoed by an unidentified submarine while at anchor off the island of Tinos and foundered while being towed ashore.

There are 589 steam and motor vessels in the Greek merchant navy with a total tonnage of 1,355,000 tons.



Ismet Inocue, President of Turkey

Greek Public Respond Confidently

It is stated authoritatively in London that Britain will honour the terms of her guarantee to Greece and, if hostilities have in fact commenced, Greece may now be regarded as Britain's ally, says Reuter.

A London message states that the Greek public has responded confidently to Britain's promise to help.

The authorities in Greece say that there are ample supplies of foodstuffs in the country.

King George and General Metaxas drove through Athens and were cheered by the crowds.

MINISTERS RECEIVED
Gen. Metaxas received the Ministers for Britain, Yugoslavia and Turkey and also had a telephone conversation with Ismet Inocue, President of Turkey.

The Yugoslav Cabinet held an emergency meeting yesterday afternoon and it is assumed that they will take up a neutral attitude.

Bulgaria is also expected to adopt the same policy. President Roosevelt, who is in Newark, has been kept informed of the Greek situation and may return to Washington to sign the Neutrality Act against Greece and to freeze credits.

LITTLE NEWS

There is little news of the land operations except that the Greek General Staff issued a communique saying that Greek forces are now defending their country.

The land attack is likely to be made from two points from the southern and northern ends of the Albanian frontier.

200,000 MEN

The Italians are stated to have concentrated 200,000 men for this attack and in both directions they will have to face mountainous country.

The Greeks have mobilised 14 divisions and are calling up reserves.

R.A.F. GETTING READY FOR TAKING BIGGEST OFFENSIVE THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN

Germans Continuing To Adopt Same Tactics

The Germans are continuing to adopt the same tactics in their air offensive against Britain as they did the week before, said MR. OLIVER STEWART, commentator on aerial warfare, in the course of a talk in London last night.

Whenever an opportunity presents itself, he said, the Nazi airmen take it. They come over under cover of darkness or clouds or flying very high, drop their bombs and get away without being engaged by the British fighters.

"The Germans have had some success with these tactics," said Mr. Stewart, "and the Royal Air Force have lost a higher proportion of planes in comparison to the enemy losses, but the R.A.F. have managed to give London some quieter days and nights and enemy bombing is likely to be lighter than it has been."

"These rather mild enemy tactics are, however, only temporary," went on Mr. Stewart. "They

N.E.I. PILOTS FOR ENGLAND

BATAVIA, Oct. 28 (Reuter)—It is learned here that pilots of the Netherlands Air Force are shortly leaving for England.

This announcement met with the greatest enthusiasm as among military fliers the opportunity to co-operate directly with the R.A.F. in helping to liberate the mother country is considered to be one of the greatest distinction.

The first three officers are leaving for England in November by the quickest route.

Naval Action Reported Near Corfu

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter)—A message from Belgrade states that a naval action between Italy and Greece took place this morning near Corfu.

The Greek Navy appears to be completely prepared and the morale of the Greek fighting forces is very high.

Huge crowds demonstrated in the streets of Athens, carrying Greek, British and Turkish flags and shouting "down with Italy."

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In the World of Sports



MR. H. R. B. HANCOCK AND HON. MR. T. E. PEARCE ELECTED LIFE MEMBERS OF H.K.C.C.

Two veteran Interport cricketers, MR. H. R. B. HANCOCK and the HON. MR. T. E. PEARCE were elected Life Members of the Hongkong Cricket Club at the annual general meeting of the Club held yesterday evening.

In proposing the election, Mr. H. Owen-Hughes said that Mr. Hancock first captained Hongkong in 1901 and played in his last Interport match in 1933.

Mr. Pearce first played for the Club in 1902. As he had played in the last Interport match, it could not be said that he was finished yet.

Mr. H. R. B. Hancock was re-elected Chairman of the Club Committee, and the following Committee was also re-elected:—Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, H. Owen-Hughes, Lt.-Col. E. J. R. Mitchell, T. S. Whyte-Smith, V. R. Gordon, T. A. Pearce, G. W. Sewell, A. C. I. Bowker, T. C. Monaghan and A. K. Mackenzie (Hon. Secretary).

CHAIRMAN'S REVIEW
Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said, in part:—

Before proceeding with the business of the meeting I should like to refer to the loss sustained by the Club through the death of two of its oldest members during the past year, Mr. P. M. Hodgson and Mr. J. D. Humphreys.

Mr. Hodgson offered to take on the duties of Hon. Sec. when the Club was in low water, and by his hard work and sound advice, he put the affairs of the Club on a sound basis. In appreciation of his services he was made a Life Member in 1920.

Mr. Humphreys was blessed with a very happy personality, and was a great favourite with all our members. He was a member of the Interport team which visited Singapore in 1926.

I also regret to report the death of one of our younger members, Mr. G. Polglase, who joined the R.A.F. on the outbreak of War and who lost his life as the result of a flying accident.

SATISFACTORY STATEMENT

I am sure you will agree with me that the statement now before you is a very satisfactory one. Our profit on working for the year is \$5,858.85 as against \$5,450.67 for the preceding year, a decrease of \$582.02. Subscriptions are up by \$731.

ON HIGH SIDE

Under the heading of "Members' Debtors" overdue accounts from members stand at \$2,806.42 which is definitely on the high side. Most of these accounts however have since been collected. Once again I would ask members to "settle their accounts" more promptly, and so assist our Hon. Sec. who owing to the increase in his duties as the Club membership continually grows, has quite enough to do, without being given a great deal of unnecessary trouble.

In spite of the War the Club carried through its usual activities.

Your Committee decided to withdraw from the Cricket League during the War, owing to the difficulty of raising teams on account of Camps, and other military duties. Friendly matches will be arranged for both the second and first Xis.

You will be sorry to learn of the recent death of our No. 1 Groundsman who had rendered the Club faithful service for 38 years.

COMMITTEE THANKED

Before I close I would like to thank the General Committee, and the members of the Sub-Committees for their work on our behalf during the past year. A special word of thanks is due to our Hon. Sec. Mr. Mackenzie, who gives up a lot of his spare time in the interests of the Club, and I would ask members to assist him as much as possible at all times.

CRICKET AVERAGES

| 1st XI Averages for Season 1939-1940 | | | | |
|---|-------|------|------|------|
| BATTING | Inns. | N.O. | R. | H.S. |
| T. A. Pearce | 20 | 3 | 1038 | 139* |
| A. E. Perry | 16 | 5 | 340 | 88 |
| J. E. Richardson | 14 | 0 | 376 | 73 |
| *Not out. Qualification—10 completed innings. | | | | |
| BOWLING | O. | M. | R. | W. |
| B. C. Fay | 73 | 19 | 237 | 27 |
| D. McLellan | 80.7 | 9 | 315 | 29 |
| H. O. Hughes | 54.6 | 2 | 295 | 22 |
| Qualification—10 wickets. | | | | |
| 2nd XI Averages | | | | |
| BATTING | Inns. | N.O. | R. | H.S. |
| E. J. R. Mitchell | 15 | 5 | 381 | 63* |
| H. J. Armstrong | 14 | 0 | 291 | 59 |
| D. O. Parsons | 21 | 2 | 264 | 51 |
| *Not out. Qualification—10 completed innings. | | | | |
| BOWLING | O. | M. | R. | W. |
| W. Stoker | 55.5 | 10 | 209 | 17 |
| D. O. Parsons | 23.6 | 0 | 172 | 12 |
| G. P. Charlton | 10.2 | 7 | 280 | 21 |
| Qualification—10 wickets. | | | | |

Junior Chess Tournament Starts Today

SENIOR MATCHES THURSDAY

The first matches in the Junior Tournament of the Kowloon Chess Club for 1941 will be contested this evening at the Peninsula Hotel.

The following is today's programme: A. C. Mitchell v. J. Grefalda, F. A. Fabel v. V. V. Kolatchoff, W. Poupard v. Th. Laufer, J. H. D'Almeida v. D. Drake, A. Benjamin v. J. Walther, and C. Lee v. S. Benjamin.

The programme for the Senior Tournament on Thursday will be:—C. M. Sequeira v. G. S. Coxhead, L. Karpovich v. K. Weiss, H. Samucl v. P. A. Yvanovich, A. Y. Birukoff v. K. M. A. Barnett, D. E. de Carvalho v. W. Lee, and M. W. Olsueff v. B. D. Evans.

The following is the programme for the succeeding four weeks:—

TUESDAY, NOV. 5.

Kolatchoff v. Mitchell, Poupard v. Grefalda, Laufer v. Fabel, Walther v. D'Almeida, Lee v. Drake, S. Benjamin v. A. Benjamin.

THURSDAY, NOV. 7.

Weiss v. Sequeira, Samuel v. Coxhead, Yvanovich v. Karpovich, Lee v. Birukoff, Olsueff v. Barnett, Evans v. Carvalho.

TUESDAY, NOV. 12.

Mitchell v. Laufer, Grefalda v. Kolatchoff, Fabel v. Poupard, D'Almeida v. S. Benjamin, Drake v. Walther, A. Benjamin v. Lee.

THURSDAY, NOV. 14.

Sequeira v. Yvanovich, Coxhead v. Weiss, Karpovich v. Samuel, Birukoff v. Evans, Barnett v. Lee, Carvalho v. Olsueff.

TUESDAY, NOV. 19.

Fabel v. Mitchell, Laufer v. Grefalda, Kolatchoff v. Poupard, A. Benjamin v. D'Almeida, S. Benjamin v. Drake, Walther v. Lee.

THURSDAY, NOV. 21.

Karpovich v. Sequeira, Yvanovich v. Coxhead, Weiss v. Samuel, Carvalho v. Birukoff, Evans v. Barnett, Lee v. Olsueff.

TUESDAY, NOV. 26.

Mitchell v. Poupard, Grefalda v. Fabel, Kolatchoff v. Laufer, D'Almeida v. Lee, Drake v. A. Benjamin, Laufer v. S. Benjamin.

THURSDAY, NOV. 28.

Sequeira v. Samuel, Coxhead v. Karpovich, Weiss v. Yvanovich, Birukoff v. Olsueff, Evans v. Barnett, Lee v. Evans.

BOWLS FINAL ON SUNDAY

The final of the Gutterreia Shild International lawn bowls competition between India and England will take place on the Kowloon Football Club green on Sunday.

India, who had only won the competition once in 1935, are the favourites this year. England were the winners in 1934, 1936 and 1937.

H.K.V.D.C. BOWLS COMPETITION

A. E. C. Coy "A" (Cpl. O'Brien, Sgt. Hyde, Sgt. Meyer and P. Kern) beat the A. E. C. Coy "B" (Capt. Phipps, L/C Pearce, L/C Tuck and P. Rosset) by 22 shots in the China-Mall Cup bowls competition played at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club yesterday.

It is notified that tenders are invited for the erection of Police huts at Bay View, Stanley and Mongkok, for cutting back slopes of Police Recreation ground, and for providing and fixing boundary stones to lots and boundary posts to quarries, etc., and the fixing of bench marks and picket boxes in Hongkong, Kowloon, New Kowloon and the New Territories.

BASKETS BEAT ANGELS IN NAVY CUP POLO: WILSON IS OUTSTANDING

Playing in the second round of the Navy Cup polo competition, at Boundary Street yesterday, the BASKETS defeated the ANGELS by 10 goals to four in a fast game in which the superior combination of the Baskets was most marked.

At the commencement of play, Wilson hit the ball well up and back-handed to Chattey who hooked in a beautiful goal. The Angels gradually took the ball up to the "skets" end where Morgan equalised.

The Baskets resumed the attack, and Wilson scored from a penalty awarded against Lewis for crossing. Near the end of the chukka, Wilson hit up for Bompas to score with a good shot.

BEAUTIFUL SHOT

Chattey got away when the second chukka began and narrowly missed the goal from the "hit out. A beautiful shot by Morgan was stopped by Wilson, who hit the ball up to Bompas. The latter stopped it to allow Wilson to score from a melee on the 40-yard line. Hunt got the ball on the resumption, and, hooking it up to the Baskets' area put in a well placed shot.

From the throw-in Atkinson got away but his shot was stopped by Lewis. The clearance was, however, met by Wilson who allowed Bompas to score. The Angels attacked from the throw-in, and Lewis pressed home the attack to reduce the Baskets' lead to 5-3.

The Angels started to attack at the opening of the third chukka but Morgan's shot went wide. In the ensuing struggle in the Baskets' half, Lewis further reduced the Angels' lead.

The Angels continued to attack but were ridden off the ball. The Baskets rallied with a well-placed shot between the sticks, from the 60-yard line, by Wilson.

SECOND SHOT MISSED

Morgan took the ball well up, from the throw-in in the fourth chukka, but his shot failed. Stopping the ball from the hit out Morgan had the misfortune to miss with his second shot.

From this stage, play was dominated by the Baskets who scored four more goals to win by ten to four.

The most prominent player was Wilson—who was responsible for seven out of the ten goals scored by the winners.

The teams were:—BASKETS:—Wilson, Bompas, Chattey and Atkinson.

ANGELS:—Morgan, Lewis, Hunt and Hancock.

Record Gate At League Soccer Game

Smashing all previous record for a football League game, the attendance at Sunday's clash between South China and Sing Tao, calculated at approximately 15,000, enabled some \$4,000 gate receipts to be collected, it is learned.

As usual, the ticket "racketeers" were very busy and some of the latecomers had to pay as much as \$5 for a \$1 ticket and then they had to stand! Despite the fact that extra buses and trams were put on specially to take the crowd away it was not until 7 p.m. that the vicinity of Caroline Hill was cleared of people. The match ended at 5.50 o'clock.

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| 13 | Pronoun | 33 | Rounded projection |
| 14 | Class | 34 | Shinto temple |
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| 16 | Be indebted to | 36 | Sun |
| 17 | Had courage for | 37 | Also |
| 18 | Mineral spring | 38 | Place |
| 19 | Trade | 39 | Make |
| 20 | Put in type again | | |
| 21 | Pronoun | | |
| 22 | Dealt with or handled | | |
| 23 | Vigor | | |
| 24 | Russian village communities | | |
| 25 | Italian coins | | |
| 26 | Cubic meter | | |
| 27 | Poems | | |
| 28 | Hungary (abbr.) | | |
| 29 | Beverage | | |
| 30 | Chant | | |
| 31 | Flare | | |
| 32 | Female deer | | |

SOLUTION TOMORROW

LULL ON MANILA'S BOXING FRONT

TITLE BOUT IS POSTPONED

There was a lull on the fight front on Oct. 17 as Jack Roper and Luis Logan, principals in the heavyweight championship fight scheduled for November 2, remained idle—physically and verbally, reports the Manila Bulletin. Roper is spending his days doing road work and playing golf while Logan is resting, trying to get over the fever that caused the fight to be postponed two weeks.

When seen, Roper limited his statement to: "I still think Logan's afraid of me." This was in reply to a query as to what he had to say on Logan's statement that he was not afraid and that he was confident of beating the American heavyweight.

The other boys on the Nov. 2 card have also eased up on their training in view of the postponement. All, however, including Roper and Logan, will resume their workouts Monday afternoon at the Teatro Nacional on Taft Avenue.

TICKETS SELLING

Meanwhile, tickets for the heavyweight scrap are still selling. Despite the two week's postponement, Jas Cortes, matchmaker of the fight, hopes to draw the largest crowd for an indoor boxing show ever to turn out here. Advance sale of tickets indicate he will have close to a sellout if not a complete sellout on Nov. 2.

Although he was anxious to get the fight "over with," Roper said that the two weeks' postponement will be more to his advantage than Logan's, since he will have that much longer time to get into condition and get further acclimated.

Logan's condition is improved and it is believed that the few days' rest this week has done him a world of good since he had been training strenuously for the Roper fight for the past three months.

CLUB "A" RUGBY FIFTEEN

Club "A" will meet the Army "A" in a friendly rugby match at the Club ground tomorrow, kick-off 5 p.m., and will be represented by the following:—

R. F. Hopkins, H. van Leeuwen, M. G. Carruthers, D. Hynes, P. B. Wilson, T. O. Morgan, F. J. C. Cleme, J. Moodie, W. Stoker, A. M. Kennedy, R. C. Gairdner, C. F. Needham, J. M. Thomson, G. B. Godfrey, A. G. Dalziel.

Referee:—John Redman.

Clean-up Of Racketeers In Racing Business

The former Mayor of Detroit, Mr. Richard W. Reading, and 139 other co-defendants have been arrested and held for trial on conspiracy charges involving graft payments in protecting the city's \$30,000,000 yearly horse racing business.

Those detained include a former police superintendent, Mr. Fred D. Frahm, a former city prosecutor, Mr. Duncan McCrea, a former chief investigator, Mr. Harry Colburn, and 18 present and former police inspectors. Also arrested were Joe and Abe Burnstein, two reputed former leaders of Detroit's notorious "Purple Gang."

The arrests climaxed a year of investigation by a one-man grand jury. Former Mayor Reading also faces charges of protecting the numbers racket in Detroit and a Federal income tax indictment.

Twelve policemen arrested were released because of insufficient evidence against them.

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY
RUGBY.—R.A.M.C. v. Navy-Club, Navy ground, 4 p.m.

TOMORROW
TENNIS.—"C" Division: H.K.U. T.C. v. H.K.P.S.A. A.T.C. v. J.R.C.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31
BADMINTON.—St. Andrew's Club Badminton Trials, 8.30 p.m.

MEETING.—Annual of Craighower Cricket Club, 5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1
GOLF.—Entries close for Fanling competition.

SWIMMING.—Annual Inter-School Swimming sports (V.R.C. Pool), 2 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2
RACING.—Hongkong Jockey Club's Tenth Extra Race Meeting, at Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3
RIFLE SHOOTING.—Hongkong Rifle Association "Spoon" and "Practice" Shoot, at Kowloon City, 8.30 a.m.—12.45 p.m.

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By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 28th October, 1940.
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SWISS COMMENT:

GIBRALTAR NEXT OBJECTIVE
OF AXIS ATTACK?Significant Silence Of
Vichy Government
On Recent Agreement

ZURICH, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—Political observers here expect fresh German military action to follow very closely on the Pétain-Hitler agreement. Indications to this effect are supported by Italian Press forecasts of imminent action in the Eastern Mediterranean.

In Swiss comment, Gibraltar is openly mentioned as the next probable objective for an Axis attack.

Meanwhile diplomatic observers here consider that the silence of the Vichy Government regarding proposals to Marshal Pétain is significant. It is felt that the Vichy Government is reluctant to reveal the terms to the French people, before they can be faced with a fait accompli.

Reports that two Cabinet meetings were held at Vichy before Pétain accepted the German terms indicate that Pétain had to overcome strong resistance within the Government itself.

STRATEGIC CONSEQUENCES

It is not believed here that Pétain has agreed to active participation of French forces in the war against Britain but it is considered probable that Hitler has gained concessions of strategic importance for the prosecution of the war in the Mediterranean.

Many reports are reaching here indicating the growing anxiety of the French public for a British victory, but beside these must be placed the fact that France is, in effect, an authoritarian State with Pétain as the controlling power.

As regards Spain, diplomatic circles here are convinced that General Franco is unwilling to involve Spain in war but he will probably be unable to resist if faced with a choice between voluntarily or involuntarily allowing the German Army to pass through Spain.

OFFICIAL SILENCE

Despite the official silence in Vichy regarding the Franco-German agreement, the Vichy correspondent of the Neue Zürcher Zeitung wrote yesterday he understood Hitler made "exceptionally generous offers to Pétain's Government."

"Emphasis was laid on the return of the Government to Paris and the release of French prisoners of war."

JAPANESE
MASS TROOPS
IN SHAI AREA

CHUNGKING, Oct. 28 (Central).—Considerable Japanese troop movement is reported in dispatches received here from Shanghai.

According to well-informed foreign sources, a large Japanese force of 20,000 men is being massed in the Shanghai area from the various fronts in Chekiang.

While the purpose of the concentration cannot be definitely ascertained, it is said that these men are waiting for transportation to Formosa to undergo re-organisation.

DEFECTION OF
PUPPET TROOPS
NEAR NANKING

CHUNGKING, Oct. 28 (Central).—Large units of Japanese-organised Chinese troops stationed between Nanking and Changchow on the Nanking-Shanghai Railway have mutinied in the past week, according to a Shanghai message quoting a foreigner who has just arrived in Shanghai from Nanking.

The foreigner saw a wrecked locomotive and several wagons lying beside the railway track as a derelict caused by the mutineers.

According to field dispatches from Hupeh, a Chinese contingent raided Huayuan station on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in northern Hupeh, 61 miles north-west of Hankow, last week, disrupting Japanese communications.

On October 25 Japanese troops massed at Shinyang on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in south Honan attacked the Chinese at Yelow, a neighbouring town, but were repulsed, state Honan reports.

On the same day Chinese troops in northern Honan made an attack at Chilian, west of Tsinyang, inflicting considerable casualties.

LONDON COMMENT

Commenting on the Hitler-Pétain agreement, a London political observer said yesterday that it was an "agreement to agree, but still far from an agreement to act in agreement."

It is noteworthy that the Vichy communique makes no mention of military aid.

Some observers believe that, having failed in his "peace blitzkrieg," Hitler may attempt an alternative move designed to close the Western Mediterranean to the British Fleet with the help of France and Spain.

SERIOUS OBSTACLE

Hitler may have secured Vichy's consent to collaborate, but there is as yet no indication that Spain is ready to sacrifice herself to save Germany from defeat.

The steady growth of the Free French movement in Africa will also prove a serious obstacle to any Vichy attempts to get the support of the French Empire for Germany.

SPECULATION IN U.S.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—There is much speculation in the American newspapers yesterday of the effect in Europe of any French-German alliance.

The developments in France have produced wide expressions of dismay. Mr. Cordell Hull's disclosure that President Roosevelt had sent a warning to Vichy is splashed on the front pages of the New York morning press.

It is generally considered that Hitler's new programme is necessitated by the thwarting of his original plans by the Royal Air Force, and naval aid is considered to be his chief aim.

The belief that the French people will revolt if the Vichy Government joins the war against Britain is again voiced by several papers.

TIENTSIN
RACING
RESUMED

TIENTSIN, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—The Race Club on Saturday resumed racing with the autumn meeting which is scheduled for three week-ends.

This is the first racing since last year's blockade and big flood. It is believed the authorities intend to discourage attendance by Chinese residents. A score of constables patrolled the entrance to the grounds.

Similar measures were introduced by the Mayor prior to the imposition of the blockade. Incidentally, the Mayor is going to Tokyo on Monday to attend the celebration of the founding of the Japanese Empire.

20,000 CHINESE
RECRUITS

SUWEN (Luichow Peninsula), Oct. 28 (Central).—Reports from Hainan Island state that 20,000 Chinese recruits have been in training in east Hainan Island to intensify the harassment of the Japanese invaders on the island.

A small-size arsenal has also been set up at an undisclosed place for the manufacture of bombs, hand-grenades and other kinds of ammunition to replenish the supply of the Chinese defenders.

CHINESE MAGNATE
TOUR FUKIEN

FOOCHOW, Oct. 28 (Central).—Mr. Tan Kah-kie, Chinese Industrial Magnate in Singapore, who left Foochow on October 11, arrived in Foochow on October 17 at Chuanchow, his home town, where he was accorded an enthusiastic welcome after a three-day stay at Chungchow, he resumed on October 20 his tour in the southern part of Fukien.

EMPRESS LINER
CLAIMED HIT

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—The German High Command communique states that the Empress of Britain, which it described as a troopship, was attacked, 60 miles west of Ireland.

The communique claims that the liner was hit by a heavy bomb and caught fire and that the crew took to their boats.

U.S. Warned
Against
Meddling
In Europe

ROME, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—A warning to Americans to keep out of European concerns was uttered by the Duke of Salaparuta in a speech yesterday to Blackshirts in Turin.

He said that it is only right that Americans should have control in their own continent but it is not right that Americans should meddle in affairs which concerned only Europeans.

"America for Americans and Europe for Europeans."

The Duke also declared: "The rule of gold and raw materials must be ended forever and be replaced by the domination of the whole people who produce and labour."

SECURITY FORCE
FOR EIREDefence Of Country
If Attacked

DUBLIN, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—The Eire Government is doing everything in its power to secure the necessary arms for a Local Security Force of 100,000 men, said Mr. Eamon De Valera yesterday.

Their desire to remain in peace was not a sufficient guarantee. Warring groups might think it to their advantage to take possession of the whole or part of the country.

The Local Security Force has been established to give the country one possible guarantee, namely, if attacked they can defend themselves. They were not yet armed but he knew that the country would gladly bear the cost of providing the arms.

Development
Of South-West
Provinces

CHUNGKING, Oct. 28 (Central).—Views regarding economic reconstruction in the south-west were exchanged at a banquet given by the South-West Industrial Association on Friday. Over 100 industrialists and financiers were present.

Dr. Wang Wen-hao, Minister of Economics, made a comparison between Chinese, Soviet and German factories and urged the industrial circles to redouble their efforts.

Mr. Tsai Jen-pao, executive member of the Shanghai branch of the South-west Industrial Association, reported the latest industrial and financial conditions in Shanghai.

SHANGHAI COLD
SNAP: 500 DEAD

CHUNGKING, Oct. 28 (Central).—The sudden cold wave in Shanghai had brought the number of deaths to about 500 up till yesterday, according to a Shanghai report.

Most of those who died of hunger and cold were paupers.

NEW C-I-C FOR
INDO-CHINA

VICHY, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—General Mordant has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of troops in Indo-China, replacing M. Martin.

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—A Turkish military delegation left for Greece yesterday, according to the Moscow Radio.

DR. BENES'
PROMISE
FOR SPRING

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—A "definite transformation in all military operations" next Spring was promised by Dr. Benes, the Czechoslovak President, in a special broadcast last night on the eve of the 22nd anniversary of their National Independence Day.

The absolute failure of all German attempts to invade England; the almost incalculable losses the Germans have suffered in their aerial adventures; the impenetrable blockade of Germany which will be ever more intensified by growing British air superiority—all these, Dr. Benes said, will lead next spring to a definite transformation in all military operations.

Internal troubles in Germany and German-occupied countries will do the rest.

"This end of Nazi-ism will be terrible, terrible to all who have been guilty," he went on.

"We are well prepared for it in our country."

Referring to recent German attempts to persuade the Czechoslovaks to organise meetings to profess expressions of loyalty so that the world might suppose they were ready to collaborate with the Reich, Dr. Benes warned his people not to yield to this pressure.

LEAFLET "RAID"
ON ALBANIA

ROME, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—Leaflets containing exhortation in the Albanian language inciting the people to revolt have been dropped in districts in southern Albania yesterday by an unidentified aeroplane, states a despatch from Tirana to the Stefani News Agency.

MILITARY OBJECTIVES IN
BERLIN HAMMERED

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—In the raid on Berlin on Saturday night, the R.A.F. attacked aircraft works, an electric power station and goods yards. The oil plants bombed were at Steffeln, Leuna and Cologne.

Naval docks at Hamburg, Cuxhaven and Bremen and railway communications at Bremen, Dortmund and Brussels were other targets.

The ports of Flushing and Antwerp, and several aerodromes were again visited.

All these operations were carried out despite poor weather conditions over many target areas. One R.A.F. plane is missing.

NEUTRAL REPORTS

Reports of widespread damage in Berlin due to R.A.F. raids have been received in authoritative quarters here from reliable neutral sources.

Outstanding examples of effective damage of military importance are:

The Siemens Works, which supplies a great part of the German Army's electrical equipment, was severely damaged, one-third of the Loewe electrical factory was completely destroyed, half of a chemical machinery factory was burned down and the AEG Turbine Works and the Mals Motor depot were badly damaged.

TRAFFIC DISLOCATED

Two of the city's principal power stations have been further disorganised by repeated attacks. Charlottenburg went without gas for two days according to a reliable report.

Dislocation of the city's railway traffic was increased by damage to the underground which was the most popular means of transport.

One attack destroyed many vehicles in the city's main tram and bus depot.

CHINESE CLAIM
SUCCESS IN
NANNING

LIUCHOW, Oct. 28 (Central).—Chinese troops are reported to be making steady progress in their offensive on Nanning in south Kwangsi.

Particularly heavy casualties were suffered by the Japanese in the engagement at Chientao, west of Nanning on Oct. 24.

The Japanese have launched attacks at Kanna, north-west of Nanning and elsewhere, in an attempt to divert Chinese attention, but without avail.

EIGHT RAIDERS
DESTROYEDLondon Attack Foiled
By Defences

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—Raids have been made at intervals yesterday by a formation of enemy fighters and bombers crossing the coast of Kent and flying towards London, says an Air Ministry communique.

The raiders were engaged by our fighters and anti-aircraft defences and few of them succeeded in reaching London.

Some bombs were dropped in the London area and also a number of places in south-east England. Houses and other buildings were damaged at a few places but reports indicated the number of casualties was small though some persons were killed.

HOUSES DEMOLISHED

An attack was also made in Hampshire late in the afternoon and a few bombs were dropped in one district. Reports so far received show that several houses were destroyed and a number of people injured.

It is confirmed that one more enemy aircraft was destroyed on Saturday and another on Friday.

SCOTLAND RAID

A London message, quoting the German Radio, states that German bombers from Norway attacked two aerodromes in north-east Scotland from a "daringly low height."

The announcer said that hits were scored on hangars, barracks and other buildings at Wick while "all aerodrome buildings at Lossiemouth were destroyed."

EIGHT "BAGGED"

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—It is officially stated that eight enemy aircraft were destroyed while six British fighters were lost or missing but the pilot of one is safe.

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Severe Dust Storms
In Western Desert

CAIRO, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—There were severe dust storms in the western desert throughout Saturday," reports a G.H.Q. communique.

"In the Sudan and Kenya, British fighting patrols were again active. From Palestine there is nothing to report."

BRITISH PATROL
ATTACKED

NAIROBI, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—A communique issued yesterday states: "One of our patrols was attacked by superior enemy forces near the Ethiopian border 70 miles east of Lake Rudolf. The patrol withdrew successfully and without loss from their post. Casualties were inflicted on the enemy."

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Governor Pays Visit To The China Light At Hok Un

His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lt.-Gen. E. F. Norton, C. B., D. S. O., M. C., was the guest at lunch yesterday, at the Peninsula Hotel, of the Chairman, Directors and Executive staff of the China Light and Power Company. His Excellency was accompanied by Captain S. H. Batty-Smith, A. D. C.

Present at the lunch were the Chairman of Directors of the China Light and Power Company, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. A. H. Comp-ton, Sir Elly Kadoorie, K. B. E., Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie and Mr. Albert Raymond, Directors, Mr. D. W. Munton, Manager, Mr. I. N. Murray, Deputy Manager, Mr. F. C. Clemo, Executive Engineer, and Mr. Noel Braga, Secretary.

After lunch, His Excellency paid a visit to the China Light and Power Company Installation at Hok Un, and the Power Station Workshop in Dyer Avenue. At the Installation, His Excellency visited the Boiler House, Turbine Room, Laboratory, Switch House, the Mess Rooms, Control Room, and the Conference Room where he was invited to sign the Visitors' Book.

SHOWN FIRES
From the Conference Room, His Excellency proceeded with party to the Tank Floor, and from there to the Fan Floor and the Firing Floor. Here, Gen. Norton was shown the fires in some of the Boilers.

In the course of the visit, several members of the Installation staff were introduced to His Excellency. Before completing the visit about four o'clock, His Excellency inspected also the air raid shelter at the Installation and the various protective measures that have been taken against air raids.

Funerals

MRS. E. XAVIER

The funeral of Mrs. Esme Ana Alvarez Xavier, wife of Mr. Paulo M. Xavier, took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday afternoon.

Rev. Father C. Orlando officiated at the last rites while the chief mourners were the husband, a brother, and a son of the deceased.

Mrs. Xavier passed away at St. Teresa's Hospital, Kowloon, on Saturday after an illness of over four months.

The deceased leaves three children, Nuno, Jacqueline and Clodette, and three sisters and two brothers, Mrs. J. D. Marques, Mrs. V. G. Xavier, Miss E. Alvarez, and Messrs. J. A. and F. A. Alvarez in Shanghai to mourn her loss.

THOSE PRESENT

Among those present were Messrs. L. B. Warren, B. A. Alves, C. Quinn, L. V. Xavier, C. Correa, H. A. Rosario, R. G. Xavier, N. R. Mehta, H. Figueiredo, Sen. and Jr., E. J. Figueiredo, Sen. and Jr., C. V. Roza, C. A. P. Xavier, D. F. Lopes, J. A. Alves, C. Sequeira, A. V. R. Ribeiro, Arthur J. Brown, F. X. Mendes, B. C. Castro, R. Campos, A. V. Gossano, E. M. Rocha, J. M. Graca, A. R. Assumpcao, E. Aquino, A. M. Xavier, A. Barro, E. A. Remedios, F. X. Soares, A. M. Larcina, J. J. Remedios, S. A. Marcel, G. Vas, C. A. Assumpcao, F. Col-laco, J. R. Soares, M. Gomes, and J. Goncalves, Very Rev. Fr. G. M. Spada, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Castro, Rev. Fr. J. Guarana, Dr. R. A. Alvarez and Dr. E. Souza.

T. M. V. ALVES

The funeral took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday afternoon of Theresa Maria Vieira Alves, 24-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Alves.

The baby died after a brief illness on Sunday. Very Rev. G. M. Spada conducted the services.

Among those present at the funeral were the sisters and brother of the deceased, Olga, Alda and Alex, Dr. C. E. da Rosa, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Marcel, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Pereira, Messrs. G. F. da Rosa, H. A. da Rosa, A. L. Rocha, L. G. Neves, O. H. Rocha, M. C. da Silva, C. H. V. Remedios, A. L. B. Remedios, C. A. Marcel and C. F. X. Alves.

MR. JOHN RYMER

The funeral of the late Mr. John Rymer, who passed away on Sunday at the Government Military Hospital, took place yesterday morning at the Colonial Cemetery. The deceased, until his death, was employed at the Government Censor Office.



His Excellency Lt.-Gen. E. F. Norton photographed with the Commissioner, Rev. N. Y. Hallward at the Scouts' Training Camp at Chai Wan on Sunday. —(King's Studio).

NEW SOLICITOR ENROLLED

Mr. Kan Yuet-keung

At the Supreme Court yesterday morning Mr. Kan Yuet-keung, son of Mr. Kan Tong-po, Chief Manager of the Bank of East Asia, was enrolled as a solicitor by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor. Making the application, the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O. B. E., K. C., Attorney General, said:

The applicant was born in the Colony on July 26, 1913, and educated at the Diocesan Boys' School and at the University of Hongkong, where he obtained his degree of Bachelor of Arts in June, 1935.

He was successful in his examinations in March this year, and was enrolled in the Supreme Court of England on June 1.

Addressing the applicant, Sir Atholl said: I welcome you to what is a very honourable profession. I know that both your family traditions and the profession of your choice is safely in your hands.

I think it is your intention to join the firm of Deacons, and on that also I would like to congratulate you.

Mr. D. L. Strellett, representing the Law Society, and Mr. M. H. Turner, of Deacons, were also present.

Wholesale Price Index Numbers

The Superintendent of Imports and Exports releases for publication the following tables of wholesale price index numbers in the Colony of Hongkong.

The index—which is unweighted—has been constructed from declarations furnished to the Statistical Branch of the Imports and Exports Department by importers.

There was a general average increase of 1.9 per cent in the third quarter of 1940 as compared with the second quarter of 1940; and of 43.9 per cent as compared with the third quarter of 1939.

(AVERAGE FOR YEAR 1922=100)

FOODSTUFFS
1st qr. 2nd qr. 3rd qr. 4th qr. Ave.
1938 144.0 134.3 122.9 123.0 131.8
1939 128.8 125.6 134.4 151.2 134.9
1940 188.2 174.2 178.6

TEXTILES
1938 118.0 116.5 116.7 112.2 116.1
1939 98.7 107.8 98.6 119.7 106.2
1940 131.1 150.6 150.6

METALS & MINERALS
1938 182.5 147.2 142.6 141.8 147.3
1939 145.4 141.6 140.8 154.1 146.9
1940 191.5 211.9 218.4

MISCELLANEOUS
1938 121.7 120.3 128.0 121.1 127.3
1939 120.9 120.1 121.7 140.9 126.9
1940 157.7 163.9 168.4

GENERAL AVERAGE (ALL GROUPS)
1938 128.1 132.1 127.0 125.0 130.6
1939 122.9 123.8 123.0 141.5 128.3
1940 159.8 175.0 178.3

EARNEST PLEA TO CHINESE NOT TO EAT POLISHED RICE

An earnest plea against the eating of polished rice by Chinese as an essential measure to check the ravages of beri-beri and other such diseases, was made by PROF. WINFRED CULLIS, when he addressed a representative gathering of local women social workers at the Y. W. C. A. yesterday.

Prof. Cullis said that vitamins B-1 and B-2, which are essential for the prevention and treatment of beri-beri, were contained in large quantities in the outer surface of the rice grain, which, in the process of being polished, lost with this coating those vitamins so essential for the health of the people.

Explaining that except for yeast, rice was the staple food of the country, Prof. Cullis made a stirring plea for encouraging the eating of unpolished rice, urging that it could be so cooked as to be as edible in its unpolished state as it is after when polished.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

MAGISTERIAL CENSURE

Remarking that it was a mean way of stealing and that if he should get convicted before him again he would impose a heavier sentence, Mr. Sheldon bound over Lam Miu, 27, unemployed, in the sum of \$100 for one year when Lam pleaded guilty to two counts of obtaining money by false pretences.

Lam was charged with obtaining the sums of \$2.52 and \$1.20 on Oct. 26 and Oct. 13, respectively, from Tung Fook, 19, shoemaker, and Li Keung, 17, unemployed, at Johnston Road by falsely pretending that he could get them jobs in the Central Theatre.

Det.-Sgt. J. Bentley said that defendant was formerly employed as a film operator at the World Theatre. He added that he believed that defendant was willing to make restitution to complainants.

GAMBLERS FINED

Further raids were carried out by the Police on Sunday on the gambling schools in the Wanchai district and as the result of which five persons were charged before Mr. Sheldon yesterday with being keepers of common gaming houses.

The defendants were Ng Tin, 25, unemployed, Kwok Kit-nam, 24, unemployed, Li Tak, 29, unemployed, Chan Tak, 45, barber, and Fun Po-man, 29, watchman.

The first four defendants were each fined \$75 or, in default, six weeks' imprisonment. The last defendant was absent and had his bail of \$50 estreated.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison and J. Bentley prosecuted.

COOK IN COURT

Kwong Po-wah, 25, cook boy employed by Mr. A. J. Leask, of 104 The Peak, appeared before Mr. Barnett yesterday charged with obtaining, between Aug. 4 and Oct. 21, from the Wing Sang Cheung, of No. 11 Queen Victoria Street, goods to the value of \$422.66 by false pretences.

Det.-Sgt. A. F. Cochrane said defendant had been employed by Mr. Leask since Aug. 4 and it was his duty to go and get provision for which he was given cash.

Defendant instead went to the Wing Sang Cheung shop and took out an account book in name of his master. This was not known to Mr. Leask until the bill was presented to him.

Defendant admitted that he lost the money in gambling and stated that his father and mother were willing to pay back the money.

Kwong was remanded 48 hours to make restitution.

TRADE MARK SUMMONSES

Three summonses brought under the Trade Marks Ordinance were heard by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

The Yue-Hing Cheong firm, of No. 91, Connaught Road West, was summoned by Hung Man-chuen, proprietor of the Tung Mee Paper Co., of No. 245, Lockhart Road, for having in their possession for sale or purpose of trade or manufacture, account books to which a forged trade mark had been applied; falsely applying to goods a trade mark calculated to deceive; and possession for sale, or purpose of trade or manufacture, account books to which a false description had been applied.

Mr. M. A. da Silva pleaded not guilty on behalf of defendant, while Mr. K. F. Wong represented the complainant.

Mr. Silva said the defence would be that defendant had no knowledge that the trade mark had been registered in Hongkong. The books were ordered by firms in Singapore.

Mr. Wong said his client was not satisfied with this explanation. Evidence was given by Det. Sub- Insp. R. Cunningham who conducted the search of defendant's premises.

After further evidence, hearing was adjourned to Nov. 14, at 2.30 p.m.

GAOL & CANE FOR SNATCHERS

Before Mr. Sheldon yesterday Ling Hung, 37, unemployed, pleaded guilty to a charge of snatching a purse containing \$2.55 in money from a woman on Sunday, and was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour and 12 strokes of the cane.

Unsp. Portallion prosecuted. Charged with snatching a leather purse, containing \$4.72, from Li Yuk-lan, 20, spinster, at Johnston Road, near Spring Garden Lane on Oct. 27, Chan Yiu-po, 23, unemployed, was sentenced to one month's hard labour and 12 strokes of the cane by Mr. Stuel-don.

Det.-Sgt. J. Bentley prosecuted. ALLEGED THIEVES REMANDED

On the application of Det.-Sgt. T. Cashman a remand of 48 hours was granted by Mr. Barnett yesterday in the case in which are Leung Choi, 32, unemployed, Kwan Fai, 19, unemployed, and Ko Chao, 34, unemployed, were charged with conspiring on Oct. 24 to steal telephone cable laid at Pokfulam, the property of the Military authorities.

STOLE FROM CARS
Stating that he had no money to go to Canton and so was forced to steal in order to raise money for his passage, Lam Kwok-hing, 22, unemployed, pleaded guilty to two charges of stealing clothing from private motor cars before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Lam, together with Lei Chi-yu, 19, unemployed, was charged with stealing an overcoat, a raincoat and a travelling rug, the property of Dr. E. W. Kirke, from private car No. 4457 which was parked at Jackson Road, on Oct. 23. Both defendants were further charged with stealing from an unknown car parked at Chater Road a raincoat on the same day.

Det.-Sgt. J. R. Sykes said a traffic constable on duty near the Star Ferry wharf saw the defendants walking in his direction carrying the overcoat, the raincoat and the rug. When questioned they admitted stealing the articles. At the station defendants also admitted the theft in the second charge.

First defendant was cautioned about two weeks ago by Mr. Sheldon for a similar offence, while second defendant had a previous conviction for larceny.

Both defendants were sentenced to four months' on each count, the sentences to run consecutively.

AT KOWLOON

WOMAN IMPRISONED

Appearing before Mr. Himsworth yesterday, Fung Lin, 38, of No. 430, Reclamation Street, was charged with possession of an unregistered ward and with assaulting her.

Inspector H. W. Fraser, of the S. C. A., who prosecuted, said that the 11-year-old girl was found roaming in the streets on October 24. She was taken to the S. C. A.

The defendant was fined \$20 or one month on the first charge and four months on the second charge, the sentences to run consecutively.

On similar charges, Chan Ho, 40, married woman, of No. 6, Sheung On Lane, was bound over in the sum of \$20 for one year to be of good behaviour and fined \$10 on the second charge.

Several cane marks were found on the ward's body.

AMAHs VICTIMISED

Chan Yau, 23, and Ma Ching-sun, 29, appeared before Mr. Himsworth yesterday on a charge of armed robbery.

It was stated that the first defendant, armed with a scissor blade, robbed Chan Kam of a wrist watch, a leather purse, an electric torch and \$3, and one metal watch from Lau Sam on October 9. The complainants were employed as amahs by Mrs. O. I. Kolatchoff at No. 10, Knutsford Terrace.

On information of the first defendant the second accused was arrested at Shanghai Street.

Hearing was adjourned to November 1.

ONE DISCHARGED

Tam Kam-ku, wireless operator, charged with possession of wireless apparatus at No. 93, Prince Edward Road, without a licence, and Tam Kam-woo, clerk, Wong Wai, Chau Wing-pan, salesman, and Kwok Yu, wireless operator, charged with aiding and abetting, appeared before Mr. Himsworth yesterday for another remand of one week.

The fourth defendant, Chau Wing-pan, was discharged, owing to lack of evidence against him.

COMPLAINANT IN HOSPITAL
Tiang Tze-tak, 27, was charged before Mr. Himsworth yesterday with assaulting Tiu Sheung, 23, at Tai Nam Street on Sunday.

Det.-Sgt. Shaw, who prosecuted, asked for a remand of 48 hours owing to the fact that the complainant was still in hospital. The remand was granted.

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"Rather early in the morning for tree felling, isn't it?"

"The early woodcutter gets the first tree, you know. Besides—it's an ugly tree. There is something offensive about that tree. Come to think of it, it rather reminds me of you, Bertie."

"Well—I must confess I didn't expect to see you chopping trees this morning and smoking a

whacking big black cheroot. Not after last night..."

"I don't like the way you say 'not after last night.' I detect a certain enmity in the tone—a certain undercurrent of bitterness. You ought to be overjoyed to see me absolutely bristling with joy-de-vivre."

"I merely marvel at your powers of recovery."

"You needn't, Bertie. It's all due to 'Rose's Lime Juice, you know. Previous mornings after the night before, just the thing before you go to bed. And now, Bertie, with your permission I'll step out and do a couple of strenuous cracks with my little axe."

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Vichy's Latest
"Sell-out"

REACTIONS to the latest Vichy "sell-out" to Germany in the agreement, in principle, reported to have been reached between Marshal Petain and Herr Hitler, have become quickly evident. Interest is, however, centred on the aspect of how far this new rapprochement between Vichy and Nazi Germany will permit Herr Hitler to use France in his war against Britain and the British Empire. As political observers rightly point out, that, of course, is the main purpose behind the German Fuehrer's move, though it is also reasonable to assume that he hopes, by enlisting this further assistance to the Axis, to influence the attitude of other neutral or non-belligerent countries towards Britain. If Herr Hitler pinned much hope on being able to alienate sympathies for Britain by the collaboration he has managed to force out of the Vichy leaders, he has already received a curt answer from the United States, where Mr. Cordell Hull, in terms unmatched for vigour by an official spokesman, reiterated that any such attempt to intimidate American people was doomed to failure. As a matter of fact, from the moment that Nazi airmen embarked on their ruthless bombing of Britain, their missiles not only wrecked non-military objectives and took a heavy toll of innocent lives in England, but also demolished American isolationist ideas to such an extent that this latest development in Europe is regarded as the strongest reason for continuing assistance to Britain to the utmost capacity of the resources of the United States.

HERR HITLER must, therefore, rely on what he can obtain from France out of this newly obtained collaboration to help him to put his plans into operation. Since the details of what he will be able to secure from Vichy, in the name of the French people, and what he has vaguely promised to give them in return, have still to be made known to the world, it will be difficult to predict what the next move will be and in which direction it will make itself apparent. The Nazis are adept at making use of smokecreens of flattery to conceal their real purpose and all speculation on the immediate consequences of the agreement with France must, therefore, be treated with reserve. There are, nevertheless, many interesting aspects of the situation which must be taken into consideration in studying the possible outcome of Germany's power politics. The fact that no mention has been made in the reported agreement of any direct military aid from France against Britain is particularly noteworthy. It would, however, be dangerous to assume that the Vichy Cabinet won a point against Herr Hitler by remaining adamant on this issue. It is

YENCHING
UNIVERSITY
TO CARRY ON

In spite of the U.S. Government's advice to Americans to evacuate, the American faculty members in Yenching University, Peiping, have decided not to leave but carry on their duties as usual, according to a faculty member of Yenching University who has just arrived in Hongkong from Peiping.

On the day of his departure from Peiping on October 11, he said, Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, President of Yenching University, announced that the American staff will remain until circumstances do not permit them to stay. Dr. Stuart described the U.S. Government's evacuation advice as a precautionary measure. In his observation there would be no fear of a deterioration of the situation in the near future.

The total enrolment in Yenching University is over 1,000, the pre-war figure being less than 700.

The faculty member came to Hongkong in connection with the raising of a scholarship fund in memory of Mr. Wu Lei-chun, former Chancellor of Yenching University.

It is learned that Yenching alumni in Hongkong have organised a committee to raise \$10,000 (Chinese currency) from among the alumni in Hongkong, Macao, and Kwangtung for the scholarship fund.

more likely that Herr Hitler, with caution as his watchword, despite his desperate need for material help, does not want to take the risk of rousing the temper of the French people to a pitch that might bring them into open revolt, not only with the Vichy Government, but against their conquerors. He has obviously taken the more astute course of not insisting on this military aid from France until he has obtained everything else, short of it, that Vichy will be prepared to give him.

THIS, he hopes, will at least render the French people passive for a period long enough to enable him to gain a firmer hold on the country. The bait for this is furnished in his willingness to liberate some hundreds of thousands of French prisoners of war, for he is well aware, as an authority on European politics pointed out on Sunday night, that the French peasant will be temporarily appeased if his sons are allowed to come back to the family farm. Thus far, then, Herr Hitler has gained an advantage, which he will not fail to use immediately. Report has it that the new advantage he has secured will begin to make itself felt in the Mediterranean zone and that he has a fair chance of succeeding. If he can use the Vichy agreement to induce General Franco to join him in his drive to the Near East, it is pointed out that he has simultaneously brought pressure to bear on the Far East to force Japan and China to settle their dispute with the idea of freeing the former from her commitments on Chinese soil to take an active part in the Axis adventures. Any hope of turning these issues to a successful conclusion, however, remain balked by the increasing strength of the British Empire to resist the aggressors in every part of the world which they have selected for their depredations and the renewed determination of the United States to tolerate no interference with her plans for helping the British Commonwealth as a vital part of her own defence programme. Furthermore, as far as the Far East is concerned, it is certain that China will not be coaxed into any peace settlement with Japan.

MEETING OF
H.K. TEACHERS'
ASSOCIATIONTRIBUTE PAID TO
MR. HANDYSIDE

The seventh annual general meeting of the Hongkong Teachers' Association was held at the Gloucester Hotel on Thursday, Oct. 24 when the Report and Accounts for the year were read and approved.

It was revealed that there has been a steady increase in membership and the total of 265 was reached last year. The chief item of expenditure incurred yearly goes to the building up of a library and to the production of a journal—The Path of Learning.

SERIES OF LECTURES

During the year under review members had the opportunity of listening to the Director of Education, Mr. C. G. Solis, in a series of lectures on the use of phonetics in teaching; to Prof. W. Brown of the Hongkong University; and to Messrs. I. S. Wan and Y. P. Law, Inspectors of Schools.

Two years ago the Association started a film scheme experiment whereby participating schools were able to see educational films on their own premises and at reasonable rates.

This experiment has proved of considerable value and has been referred to by the Director of Education in thanking the Association for its work.

RETIERING PRESIDENT

Tribute to the work of the retiring President, Mr. W. L. Handyside, who has been compelled to resign from the Education Department owing to health reasons, was paid by Mr. C. G. Solis and Prof. L. Forster. The latter also moved that a suitable acknowledgment be made to Mr. Handyside in his retirement and this was carried with acclamation.

OFFICE BEARERS

The following office bearers were elected for the ensuing year:—Rev. Fr. R. W. Gallagher (President); Miss E. Atkins, Rev. E. W. L. Martin, Bro. Cassian and Mr. L. G. Morgan (Vice-Presidents); Mr. W. J. Dyer (Hon. Secretary); Miss V. A. Silcox (Hon. Treasurer); Mrs. R. Ashton (Editor); Mr. Leung Fung-kei (Librarian).

Members elected to serve on the Council are as follows:—Prof. L. Forster, Rev. Fr. G. Byrne, Mr. G. A. Goodban, Sister Henri, Mrs. F. Cheung, Mrs. Beeken, Dr. F. C. Woo, Miss Pope, Rev. Fr. Myhill and Bro. Honorius.

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To the Editor, Hongkong Daily Press.

Sir,—Being a Chinese, I am deeply interested in the study of English. I shall be much obliged and grateful if you would kindly insert my letter in your valuable columns so as to have me say something to your readers, because I am deeply interested to correspond with anyone if he cares to write to me.

As my only great intention to correspond with your readers is nothing other than discussing the points and usages about the study of English, I think I should say something about myself, so as to impress those who care to correspond with me. My address is 31, Kadoorie Road, Kowloon. I am a very young man, aged 22, unmarried, of sound health. My most favourite career is literature. I shall be only too glad to reply to any letters if they are written in English.

Yours, etc.,
WONG SHIU LAU

ESCAPES FROM
CUSTODY

A convicted prisoner escaped from Police custody at Wellington Street yesterday about 2.45 p.m. when being escorted by Indian L. S. B141 from Kowloon Magistrate's to the Central Police Station.

The escapee, Lam Tak, 30, was convicted of larceny yesterday morning and was sent to Central to be expelled from the Colony. He is a native of Sun Wai and was dressed in black.

NEEDS OF CHINESE

PROF. CULLIS GIVES PRACTICAL
SUGGESTIONS FOR BUILDING UP
HEALTH OF NATION

Practical, constructive suggestions for building up the health of a nation, with special reference to the needs of Chinese, were put forward by PROF. WINFRED C. CULLIS, C.B.E., M.A., D.Sc., when he spoke on "Social Work—Today and Tomorrow" to the Chinese Women's Organisations of Hongkong at the Y.W.C.A. Hall yesterday afternoon.

Dr. (Miss) F. C. Woo, M.B.E., President of the Chinese Y.W.C.A., was in the chair, and others on the platform, besides the speaker were, Mrs. Wong Men, representing the National Women's Relief Association of Hongkong, Mrs. Rose Tan, Chairman of the Hongkong Chinese Women's Soldiers' Relief Association; Mrs. Violet Chan, Chairman of the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club, Miss So On-ling, General Secretary of the Hongkong Women's New Life Movement Association, Mrs. Jade Wong Wu, President of the Canton Young Women's Christian Association.

In the large gathering present were Mrs. N. L. Smith, Mrs. Li Shu-fan, Mrs. R. O. Hall, Mrs. C. G. Alabaster, Mrs. Leo D'Almeida, Mrs. E. Eldon Potter, Mrs. G. D. R. Black, Mrs. J. T. Smalley, Mrs. Ma Wing-chun, Mrs. Shin Kwal-sang, Mrs. Ho Liang, Mrs. E. Davidson, Mrs. Hyde-Lay, Mrs. G. A. Goodban, Mrs. E. F. Phillips, Mrs. S. A. Faber, Mrs. E. W. Davies, Miss J. W. Buckwell, Miss N. W. Bascombe, Miss P. Harrop, Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips, Mrs. R. H. Hancock, Mrs. E. Dennison, Mrs. Kwok Pui-cheung, Mrs. Lam Tsai-yan, Mrs. Lee Tso-yan, Mrs. Y. K. Chui, Mrs. J. H. Bruins, Mrs. J. H. Hance, Mrs. A. Hughes, Mrs. R. A. Rogers, Mrs. George Helde, Miss J. R. Taylor, Miss Maud Ward, Miss Silcox and staff, Mrs. H. C. Bromwell, Mrs. H. F. Summers, and Mrs. E. Kirk.

Introducing the speaker, Dr. Woo said that it was a rare privilege to represent six Chinese women's organisations to extend a welcome to the distinguished guest of the evening, who, like other eminent scientists, had taken a deep and abiding interest in the affairs of society and is particularly interested in international affairs.

WOMEN OF THE EAST

Prof. Cullis began her talk by saying that she was very glad to meet the representatives of the six leading women's organisations in Hongkong, because, she said, she wanted eventually to tell the women at home something about the activities of the women of the East.

Coming to her subject proper, Prof. Cullis said that the one point she wished to stress was that the ultimate unit of society was the individual, and she was most concerned with women and their activities for women form an important and strong group in social work.

"If you are going to consider the well being of the individual, you will see that the individual should have physical, mental and moral health," she said. "Physical health is the most important and that is what I shall dwell on this afternoon."

"If you are going to have your healthy individual, it must be well born," she continued. "And for this they must have healthy parents. In my country as well as yours, it needs a readjustment of health and housing conditions, and I am here, therefore, to give you some of the schemes by which we are trying to secure a good standard of national health."

"The ordinary defects of vision, teeth and hearing can be cured if discovered in time," Prof. Cullis went on. "And for the prevention of these we have started various schemes at home such as anti-natal clinics, infant welfare centres and clinics, nursing schools, school clinics and health insurance."

MOST EASILY PLANNED

Stressing the fact that physical health was a very good basis and was most easily planned, Prof. Cullis said that the paramount factor for health was good feeding, and frequently inadequate feeding was due not only to a lack of means, but also to a lack of knowledge.

On the work of anti-natal clinics, Prof. Cullis said that the proper care of prospective mothers, by keeping them well supplied with calcium and iron, was a very important matter and as a result of a visit to one of the large maternity hospitals in the Colony she learned from the doctors that deficiency in calcium and iron was common among the Chinese mothers due to lack of proper pre-natal care.

In London, experiments were now being tried with the soya bean as a diet which has a large percentage of proteins, and she felt sure that the Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, would be glad to hear of this.

Referring to the lack of anything like the local form of beriberi in England, Prof. Cullis said that this was due to the fact that it could be prevented and treated by taking vitamin B, and she suggested that taking by yeast, which is not very costly, a large proportion of the population, which is living below the health border line, can stave off this disease.

"Of course," she added, "The medical authorities will be very glad if they were able to get this in sufficiently large quantities to meet local needs."

WORK DONE AT CENTRES

Prof. Cullis then went on to outline the work done at infant welfare centres and nursing schools, where children of poor working women were looked after under hygienic conditions; and the school clinics, which looked after the health of school-going children; and the national health insurance scheme for young boys leaving school and going into factories at early ages.

As a result of these schemes by which the health of the nation was being looked after, the standard of national fitness had improved very considerably between the last war and the present.

"I think it is an actual condemnation of what we call civilisation that it should have necessitated a situation of war to show the difference in the health of the nation 25 years ago and now," the speaker said, adding that in the last war a very high proportion of men were found unfit for service while the conscription order following the present war revealed that 88 per cent. of the nation were fit, leaving but a small proportion of men unfit for military duty.

"The essential for good health, provided you arrange for any defect of the individual to be remedied, is good feeding," she said. "And that means you must have the organisations to keep the country well fed and to educate the individual of what is necessary for good feeding."

A PRESENTATION

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. Violet Chan who also presented Prof. Cullis with a jade brooch as a souvenir of the occasion from all the women's organisations represented.

Prof. Winifred Cullis, C.B.E., broadcast from Z. B. W. studio yesterday at 8.45 p.m. The subject of her talk was "Alarms and Excursions."

NEWSETTES

Mr. A. E. Hughes of the Hume Pipe (Far East), Ltd., Singapore, has arrived in the Colony.

Mr. E. W. Nelson, of the Standard-Vacuum Oil Co., Saigon, has arrived in Hongkong.

Mr. J. B. Harrison, of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. (S.C.), Ltd., Hongkong, arrived in the Colony yesterday.

Mr. E. A. Richards, of Ford Motor Co. Exports, Shanghai, passed through the Colony yesterday on his way to the North.

Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele, Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, broadcast last night from Z. B. W. on the black-out exercises which are to take place tonight and tomorrow.

An eight-year-old girl and a 12-year-old boy were reported missing on Sunday. The girl, Lo Yuk, lived in an unnumbered hut in Kowloon Tong, while the boy, Lam So-tol, was reported missing from No. 65 Yuchan Street, about 10 a.m.

NEW GOVERNOR OF
MACAO DUE IN
HONGKONG TODAY

The newly-appointed Governor of Macao, HIS EXCELLENCY COMR. GABRIEL MAURICIO TEIXEIRA, will arrive in Hongkong today and will leave for Macao on Wednesday by the Portuguese sloop Goncalo-Velho.

His Excellency, besides being a member of the Portuguese Parliament, is a personal friend of Dr. Salazar.

ASSISTANCE TO
EVACUEESVictoria League's
Fine Work

Correspondence exchanged between the Hon. Secretary of the local branch of the Victoria League and branches of the League in Melbourne and Brisbane tell of the assistance which is being extended to evacuees from the Colony.

When the evacuees arrived in Australia, the League had cards printed welcoming them, and as a result many called on the League's officials, who were able to give them much advice on different matters as well as arrange for their introduction to suitable people in the country.

Assistance has also been given to evacuees by the Queensland Government Bureau and the New South Wales' League in Brisbane, whilst the Y.W.C.A. has done a great deal.

In Melbourne, a Hongkong Visitors' Association has been formed as the result of a suggestion by the Colony's representative, Dean Wilson. The Committee of the Association is composed of representatives of the Army and Navy in Australia and a Hongkong representative of each of these Services, and a civilian representative.

MANY PROBLEMS
Co-ordination of various efforts being made to help the visitors with their many problems is proceeding.

"We hope you will think this is living up to the League's main objective," says Mrs. Stanley Addison, General Secretary of the Melbourne branch, "and we welcome this opportunity of bringing closer together all these British subjects, which in these difficult days is surely more desirable than ever."

China Will
Fight On

Commenting on reports that Hitler's diplomatic offensive embraces the Far East, the Hongkong Ta Kung Pao said that when China is determined to fight to the end no nation can stop her.

All diplomatic or rumour offensives are doomed to failure in face of China's firm resolution to continue the war until the final victory is won, the paper added.

Declaring that China's fight for freedom and independence represents the will of the entire nation, the paper stated that so long as this goal is not reached, China will not abandon the fight.

THE WEATHER

A maximum temperature of 81 and minimum of 72 were recorded yesterday.

Total rainfall since January 1 is 113.97 inches against an average of 81.74.

The Royal Observatory report states:—The anticyclone covers North China, Japan and the Pacific to the eastward; pressure remains highest over Japan, and is relatively low between the Visayas and the Caroline Islands.

PETAIN ADDRESS
WAR PRISONERS

ZURICH, Oct. 28. (Reuter). "Your liberation day will not long be delayed," said Marshal Petain addressing prisoners when he visited a French war prisoners camp at Amboise, according to the Paris Echo yesterday. After expressing sympathy Petain said: "You have perhaps believed we were not thinking of you. Be patient."

HITLER MAKES SECOND LONG TRIP TO CONFER

Meeting At Florence With Signor Mussolini

Talks, which began at 11.15 a.m. yesterday, were being held at Florence between HERR HITLER and SIGNOR MUSSOLINI.

Hitler was accompanied by HERR VON RIBBENTROP, Nazi Foreign Minister, and Hitler's Chief of Staff, GEN. KEITEL.

The German Fuehrer was received by Il Duce and his son-in-law, Count Ciano, who travelled to Florence from Rome yesterday morning, states a message from London.

FRONTIER CLASH MYSTERY

ATHENS, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—The mystery of the shooting on the Albanian side of the Greek-Albanian frontier, alleged by the Italians, is deepened by a semi-official statement issued here yesterday.

The Italian account of the incident is emphatically denied.

It is stated that absolutely no incident occurred on the frontier itself but Greek frontier posts on Saturday heard firing which apparently came from the Albanian village of Vernin, two miles from the border.

The Greek commander informed an Italian officer opposite and asked for an interview to ascertain the facts. So far the Greek officer has received no reply, it was added.

REPORTS FALSE

A further denial of Italian reports of incidents on the frontier has been issued by a semi-official Greek news agency which says that the reports from Tirana transmitted by the Stefani agency are false.

The Stefani reports said that a Greek armed band had entered Albanian territory and had attacked Albanian posts near Kottiza. No Greek band has passed the frontier at any point. No band has been formed or could be formed in Greek territory because the Greek military and civil authorities have assured absolute order.

The denial also characterises the report that bombs exploded in the office of the Italian Lieutenant at Santi Quaranta and that the Greek authorities are responsible for the incident, as purely infantile invention.

PROFESSOR KILLED AT LOTZU

KUNMING, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—A service in memory of the late Professor Pollard-Urquhart, of Tsinghua University, will be held under the auspices of that institution here today.

Prof. Pollard-Urquhart died at Lotzu, near Kunming, on October 16, as the result of an unfortunate accident. He was the brother-in-law of Mr. H. I. Pradeaux-Brune, British Consul-General here and was born in Edinburgh on May 16, 1894.

Curfew Introduced At Bergen

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—Anti-Quisling demonstrations and sabotage at Bergen have resulted in the introduction of a limited state of siege with a "dark to dawn" curfew, according to reports.

Two people were killed and many injured in one demonstration outside premises commanded by the Quisling National Assembly movement where feeling ran particularly high.

Despite Police reinforcements, the reports add, German troops have been frequently compelled to intervene.

It is stated that local leaders of this movement have now taken over municipal administration.

SABOTEURS ACTIVE

There has been much sabotage, an example being the spoiling of a consignment of fish intended for Germany.

Many persons have been sentenced to long terms of imprisonment at trials in camera for alleged offences ranging from tearing down posters to giving information to a foreign power on internal conditions in Norway.

ITALIAN FORCES CROSS BORDER

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"Italy demanded the immediate occupation of certain strategic points in our territory and Italian forces began, at 5.30 a.m. to attack the forces defending our frontier. Our troops are now defending our territory."

ALL PRECAUTIONS

The Greek Government immediately took all war-time precautions. A general mobilisation was ordered and complete "black-outs" have been instituted. An air raid alarm was sounded in Athens at 8 a.m. yesterday, but no planes appeared over the capital. A later message from London stated that Italian planes flew over the Corinthian Isthmus and dropped a number of bombs.

In the meantime, fighting is taking place on the Albanian-Greek frontier.

Reports reaching Budapest state that the Turks are rushing crack regiments to their north-western frontier, while in Bulgaria air raid precautions have been taken. Black-outs have been ordered and all traffic lights dimmed.

APPEAL FOR HELP

The Greek Government yesterday immediately appealed for assistance to Britain. The appeal was considered by the British Government and a late message yesterday stated Britain would honour her pledge to help Greece and that steps to implement it are even now being taken by His Majesty's Government.

The British decision was announced after a meeting of the War Cabinet, which worked out details for sending help.

At the present moment, however, the British Government has received no specific information that hostilities between Italy and Greece have begun, says Reuter.

A Reuter message from London states that the Greek Government's appeal to Britain for assistance recalls the events immediately after the Italian invasion of Albania.

WHAT CHAMBERLAIN SAID

Then, on April 17, 1939, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in a speech in the House of Commons, reviewed the Balkan situation. He said that the British Government attached the greatest importance to an avoidance of disturbance by force, or threats of force of the status quo in the Mediterranean and the Balkan peninsula.

Consequently, he added, the British Government came to the conclusion that in the event of any such action being taken which clearly threatened the independence of Greece or Rumania, the British Government would feel bound at once to lend the Greek or Rumanian Governments all the support in their power.

The action which Italy has seen fit to take against Greece follows a violent Press campaign which has been running throughout the summer, alleging persecution of Albanians by the Greeks.

RELATIONS INTENSE

A Reuter message states that relations between Italy and Greece became intense last August. Early in that month, the Italians alleged that Albanians in Clamara, annexed by Greece in 1913 were being oppressed and persecuted and that Daut Hoggia, described by the Italians as the Albanian patriot and by the Greeks as a much wanted murderer, had been decapitated in Albanian territory by Greeks.

This story was denied by the Greeks who reported that Hoggia had been assassinated by two Albanians.

From that time onwards, the Italian Press has carried on an intensive campaign against Greece and the massing of Italian troops in the vicinity of the Greek frontier has frequently been reported.

WARMEST THANKS

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—It is recalled in connection with the Italian ultimatum to Greece that on April 12 last year the Greek Government, replying to a communication from Signor Mussolini, expressed the warmest thanks for the communication which "gave categorical assurances that the Fascist Government will respect the integrity of Greece as regards both her land and sea frontiers."

No news of the Italian ultimatum to Greece has yet been received in Rome which is stressing the fact that today is the 18th anniversary of the Fascist march on the capital.

A GREAT SHOCK

BRUSSELS, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—News of Greece and Italy now at war came as a great shock here.

SIX OIL REFINERIES ATTACKED IN GERMANY

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—Six oil refineries and oil plants in Germany were attacked by the R.A.F. last night.

Two were at Hamburg and the others at Ostermoor, Hanover, Gelsenkirchen and Magdeburg. Other targets included docks at Wilhelmshaven and Hamburg, goods-yards at Krefeld, Hamm, and Mannheim and the Channel ports at Antwerp, Flushing, Ostend and Lorient.

Daylight attacks were made yesterday on shipping and convoys off the Dutch and French coasts.

One R.A.F. aircraft is missing.

Attack On Dodecanese Islands

ROME, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—An R.A.F. attack on the Dodecanese Islands was mentioned in today's Italian High Command communiqué which stated that bombs were dropped in "a disorderly fashion" in the Nasexana district without causing damage or losses.

for it had been hoped that the situation was improving.

BULGARIA SURPRISED

SOFIA, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—There is at present no indication of movement of any Germans in Bulgaria.

News of the Italian ultimatum to Greece which came as a great surprise, arrived on the eve of the King's speech to the National Assembly, which it is understood, will strongly reaffirm Bulgarian independence and neutrality.

FIRST GREEK COMMUNIQUE
ATHENS, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—The first Greek High Command communiqué says: "The Italian forces attacked our covering troops on the Greco-Albanian frontier at 5.30 a.m. Our forces are defending the soil of the fatherland."

Demonstrations favouring Turkey, Britain and Yugoslavia are taking place in the capital. Demonstrators paraded behind flags of these countries while an air raid was in progress.

Two Italian planes which flew over the city were driven off by anti-aircraft, but the Greek General Staff announces that a number of bombs were dropped at the Tatol aerodrome as well as on the Corinthian Isthmus and Eleusis.

Crowds of adults, members of the blue-uniformed Youth Movement, continued to demonstrate while General Metaxas and King George drove together through the cheering streets.

ITALIAN BOMBERS DRIVEN OFF

Fifteen Greek fighters and anti-aircraft gunfire drove off the Italian bombers which carried out the main Italian air attack against the Tatol aerodrome and the famous bridge over the Corinth Canal connecting Peloponnesus and the Greek mainland, after a stiff air battle.

Before noon, the Italians bombed Petras, attacking chiefly against harbour facilities. Parace Justice and the telegraph office. Four persons were killed and 17 injured, but the population showed no signs of panic.

A state of siege has been declared in Greece and a black-out was ordered in the district starting tonight.

The Governor of Athens issued instructions to cover the possible suspension of food and water supplies and for air raid precautions. The mobilisation of the civil population was ordered.

HEARTENING EFFECT

MADRID, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—"The Greek resistance will have a heartening effect in other places actually, though not openly under the Axis pressure," says the weekly HOJA official of the Del Lunas, which so far is the only paper commenting on the Italo-Greek war.

It adds: "The Greek decision to resist will come as a surprise here and possibly Rome."

Alleged Franco-Chinese Clash On Indo-China Border Not Confirmed

CHUNGKING, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—Chinese military authorities here have no confirmation of the alleged Franco-Chinese clash on the Indo-China border at present.

It is understood that since the arrival of the French Ambassador, M. Henri Cosme, here from Indo-China, the French authorities are urging the Chinese to refrain from sending Chinese forces into Indo-China for fear of complicating further the already difficult situation there.

While the Chinese authorities have not given any assurance that the Chinese forces will not enter Indo-China, at the same time the Chinese Government has so far made no announcement the Chinese forces would do so.

Judging from the fact that the Chinese Government announced the blowing up of bridges and tearing up of rails on the Indo-China railway in Chinese territory before resorting to such an action, it seems reasonable to believe that the Chinese Government would certainly make some statement or explanation before launching such a move as sending Chinese forces into Indo-China.

IMPENDING DRIVE

Some quarters even suggest that the report may have been deliberately circulated for the purpose of covering up the impending Japanese drive into China from Indo-China.

(Reports from Indo-China last night stated that a clash occurred at the Sino-French border at Phobang on Saturday. About 400 Chinese regular troops it is alleged attacked the French post, but they were repulsed, leaving a number dead and wounded and abandoning their arms and ammunition. On the French side, according to the reports, two men were slightly wounded.)

AMERY ON IMPORTANCE OF MEDITERRANEAN ACTION

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—"The Battle of Britain may not be over, but I believe, is already decided," said Mr. L.M.S. Amery, Secretary for India, in an address yesterday.

"The Battle of the Empire comes next," he continued. "Frustrated in the attempt to destroy our Commonwealth by one blow at its heart, Hitler will try to achieve his purpose by striking at the next vital point, namely our hold on the Mediterranean, our lifeline to the East, and particularly our position in Egypt and Palestine on both sides of the Suez Canal."

"If he could drive us out of there he could hope not only to secure the oil of Iraq, the cotton of Turkey and Egypt, but more important still, he could transport them by sea through the ports of his allies or vassals."

"He would have broken through our blockade and be in a position to threaten India and British Africa at close quarters."

"It is in the light of these aims that we must look at what has been happening in Rumania; what lies behind the conference that Hitler has been holding with Franco and Petain."

"Where and how the attempt is to be made, we cannot yet judge but it is up to us to beat it off as we have beaten off the attempt on this island. Then at last the time will come to turn the tables on our enemies and begin our own offensive."

OTHER RESOURCES

Continuing, Mr. Amery said England was not alone in its struggle against the Dictators. "It is not to this country alone that Hitler will have to look for forces that will gather together to encompass his downfall."

"At this moment a conference is assembled at Delhi of representatives of the Empire, east and south of Suez, to consider how the resources of all their territories can be brought to bear."



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NEW CAR PARK REGULATIONS

It is notified for general information that the Commissioner of Police has, in exercise of the powers conferred on him under the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912, made the following rules for car parks:

No person shall loiter in any car park unless he is the owner, or the servant or invitee of the owner, of a vehicle parked there.

In a car park, every vehicle driver shall obey the traffic directions of any police officer in uniform.

Every vehicle parked in a car park shall be so placed that no part of the vehicle projects beyond the white lines, if any, indicating the parking space for one vehicle. The control of the car parks set out in the Schedule hereto shall be carried out by the Hongkong Automobile Association (hereinafter called the Association) and its employees.

When directed by an employee in uniform of the Association to park in any particular space, vehicle drivers, when in parks in the Schedule, shall park in that space.

No vehicle shall be washed or polished in a car park in the Schedule except by employees of the Association.

PARKS AFFECTED

The car parks affected are as follows:

Car Park, old City Hall site, east of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Connaught Road Central, centre of roadway east of Star Ferry and east of taxi stand. Connaught Road Central, centre of roadway between Jackson Road and Murray Road and east of taxi stand. Chater Road, centre of roadway between Statue Square and Ice House Street. Chater Road, south side and centre of roadway between Jackson Road and Murray Road. Jackson Road, east side, between Des Voeux Road Central and Connaught Road Central. Wardley Street, between Des Voeux Road Central and Connaught Road Central. Ice House Street, east side between Des Voeux Road Central and Connaught Road Central. Connaught Road Central, centre of roadway between Pedder Street and the western end of the stand for rickshaws at Connaught Road Central, centre of road, west of Star Ferry. Club Street, west side. St. John's Place, Garden Road. Connaught Road, centre of roadway between Pedder Street and Pottinger Street (owner drivers). Chater Road, centre of roadway between Ice House Street and Des Voeux Road (owner drivers). Pedder Street, centre of roadway between Des Voeux Road and Queen's Road (owner drivers). Salisbury Road, opposite Kowloon Fire Station.

the words of Pitt is to save ourselves by our exertions and Europe by our example."

H.K. POLICE RESERVE

Orders by the Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue, Acting Commissioner of Police.

CHINESE COMPANY

Strength. The following have been taken on the strength of the Chinese Company, as from Oct. 26, 1940:—Constables R84 Chung Tat-fai, R168 Cheung Pak-wing, R192 Chung Tat-kai, R193 Edward Joseph Lee, and R194 Ip Fook-chuen.

Constable R111 Chan Chi-wing has been permitted to resign from the Chinese Company, as from Oct. 23, 1940.

Training Course—Part II. Those detailed will attend Prince's Building, 1st Floor, for Part II of Training Course under Sub-Inspector (R) Chan Chung-tung on Thursday, Oct. 31, at 17.30 hours sharp.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

INDIAN COMPANY

Training Course—Part II. Those detailed will attend Indian Company Headquarters, 20, Ice House Street, on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, Oct. 28, 29, 30, 31 and Nov. 1, at 17.30 hours and on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 14.30 hours for instruction in Part II of Training Course under P.S.R. 214 Channan Singh.

Training Course—Part III. Those detailed will attend Indian Company Headquarters, 20, Ice House Street, on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, Oct. 28 and 29, and Nov. 1 at 18.00 hours for instruction in Part III of Training Course.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

FLYING SQUAD

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE. Revolver Practice. Those detailed will attend King's Park Range on Saturday, November 2 at 14.30 hours for a revolver practice.

A revolver practice for "B" Company recruits will be held at King's Range on Sunday, Nov. 3 at 10.30 hours. Those detailed will parade at Star Ferry Wharf, Kowloon at 10.05 hours.

Riot Drill. All "B" Company



Numerous plants all over Canada are now engaged in war production. This picture taken in a plant engaged in making shell fuses shows workers drilling fuses before they are sent down the testing line.

B. W. O. F.

The following is the latest list of subscriptions received to date for credit of the British War Organisation Fund:—

Previously acknowledged, £100 and \$602,711.73.

D. W. Hume (Monthly) \$10, D. U. Edmondston (Monthly) \$250, Rev. and Mrs. T. A. Broadfoot (Monthly) \$5. Miscellaneous Sale per Madame Wierink \$7.20, 2 C.H.S.S. Badges per Miss Moir \$2, 3 C.H.S.S. Badges per Mrs. Willcocks \$3, 2 C.H.S.S. Badges per Mrs. H. F. Phillips \$2, 1 C.H.S.S. Badges per Miss Edmondston \$1, Anonymous \$21. Total \$603,012.93.

recruits will attend at Kennedy Road on Friday, November 1 for riot drill. Van will leave Queen's Pier at 17.00 hours.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

BLACK-OUT

Reservists as warned by their respective O.C.s will report at the Stations advised on the 29/30 and 30/31 instant, attendance is compulsory.

O. EAGER,
D.C.P. (R).

Hongkong, Monday, Oct. 28, 1940.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

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RAIL ESTREATED

Wong Hon-man, 28, had his bail of \$25 estreated yesterday when he failed to appear in Court. He was charged with evading ferry fare on October 26 when he travelled on the Yaumati Ferry launch Man Kung.

ATTEMPTED LARCENY

Convicted for attempted larceny of glasses, Chu Ping, 28, was sentenced to six weeks in prison by Mr. Himsforth yesterday. The defendant went to No. 169, Wusung Street on Saturday and said that he was sent there to clean the glasses. He was arrested when the complainant became suspicious.

CANING FOR DEPORTEE

Appearing before Mr. Himsforth yesterday, Hung Pui, 26, was charged with stealing a pair of earrings from a married woman, Chan Po, 44, on Sunday at Nathan Road. The defendant was additionally charged with breach of deportation order. He was sentenced to 10 months' hard labour and 10 strokes of the cane.

THEFT OF \$1,400

Four months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. Himsforth yesterday on Li Mun-chiu, 30, for larceny of \$1,400.

It was stated that the defendant was formerly employed by the Yau Sang Pawnshop. On October 21 he took the key and stole the money. After he had lost all the money in gambling he went back to the shop and was arrested.

MARINE COURT

BOAT MISTRESSES FINED

Two cases were heard in the Marine Court by Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole yesterday. The first was brought by Sgt. A. G. Long, of the Royal Naval Dockyard, Police, charging the mistress of a cargo boat with loitering in her boat along the seawall of the Naval Docks on Saturday. She was fined \$7.

Another mistress of a cargo boat was charged with approaching

Hawaii Said Impregnable

The defences of Hawaii have been built up so strongly by the United States army and navy that today the islands are "impregnable" Joseph B. Foindexter, Governor of Hawaii, declared in an interview in New York.

The Governor told newspapermen that it was his personal opinion that no enemy nation could take the islands today, but added that if they were not impregnable now they certainly would be when the present army and navy building programme was finished.

The Army authorities are now rushing to completion, the Governor said, a large military airport on Oahu Island, where 20,000 soldiers were now stationed.

"I can't tread on the State Department's toes," the Governor said when asked what was the feeling in Hawaii about Japan.

Governor Foindexter said that a plebiscite would be held in the islands this November to decide whether to petition the Congress of the United States for admission into the union as the forty-ninth state.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 29 Oct. to 4 Nov. 1940.

| HIGH WATER | | LOW WATER | |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------|
| Days of Week | Date of Month | Hong Kong Standard Time | Height |
| Tues. | 29 | h. m. | ft. in. |
| | | 07 45 | 6 6 |
| | | 20 05 | 7 1 |
| Wed. | 30 | 08 45 | 6 5 |
| | | 20 40 | 7 5 |
| Thur. | 31 | 09 40 | 6 4 |
| | | 21 18 | 7 9 |
| Fri. | 1 | 10 35 | 6 1 |
| | | 21 55 | 8 1 |
| Sat. | 2 | 11 30 | 5 9 |
| | | 23 31 | 8 1 |
| Sun. | 3 | 12 30 | 5 5 |
| | | 23 10 | 7 0 |
| Mon. | 4 | 13 32 | 5 2 |
| | | 23 45 | 7 5 |

within 100 yards of low water mark at 11.30 p.m. on Sunday near the Sai Kung Wharf. She was fined \$5.



SANDEMAN

SHERRY & PORT

Obtainable everywhere.

WEATHER REPORT

Royal Observatory, Hongkong.

10 a.m., Oct. 28.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.11 ins.

Temperature, 76 F.

Humidity, 76 F.

Wind Direction, E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Temperature; maximum yesterday, 77 F.

Temperature; minimum last night, 72 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 113.97 ins.

Against an average of 81.74 ins.

Sunset tonight, 5.49 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.28 a.m.

4 p.m., Oct. 28.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.00 ins.

VOLUNTEER TRAINING

It is notified that on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, October 29 and 30 units of H.K.V.D.C. detailed to parade on these nights will do so in spite of the Black-out. Nos. 2 and 5 Companies and Training Cadre will however NOT parade on either of these nights.

Temperature, 79 F.
Humidity, 71 per cent.
Wind Direction, ESE.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.
Maximum temperature, 81 F.
Minimum temperature, 73 F.
Rainfall, nil.

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Finance and Commerce

REINDEER RANCHING
AMONG ESKIMOS

With a fawn increase of 1,485 heads, the largest yet recorded, Canada's main reindeer herd now comprises more than 5,000 animals. Each year since the original herd of 2,370 was delivered from Alaska in 1935, a gradual increase has been recorded in the number of fawns born.

RECORD
NICKEL
OUTPUT

Canada's production of nickel in 1939 was the greatest in the history of the industry, amounting to 226,105,865 pounds compared with 210,572,738 pounds in 1938. The previous record year was 1937, when the output totalled 224,908,046 pounds.

Almost the entire production of Canadian nickel in 1939 originated in the nickel-copper ores of the Sudbury district, Ontario, and represented the recovery of the metal in the refined state, in oxides and salts, and in matte exported.

In addition to the nickel obtained from the Sudbury ores, a relatively small quantity of the metal is recovered annually in the treatment of silver-cobalt ores from the Cobalt district of Northern Ontario.

Copper recovered in 1939 from nickel-copper ores totalled 328,144,517 pounds or 53.9 per cent of the total quantity of new copper produced from all sources in the Dominion during the year. The nickel-bearing deposits of the Sudbury area also contain relatively high values in platinum metals which are recovered in refining operations.

IMPORTANT RECOVERY

In addition to production of nickel, copper, and the platinum metals, there is an important recovery from these ores of the associated metals—silver, gold, selenium and tellurium. Sulphur for the manufacture of sulphuric acid is salvaged in the gaseous state from waste smelter gases.

Silver recovered by this industry in 1939 amounted to 2,496,832 fine ounces, while the production of gold from the nickel-bearing ores during the same period totalled 77,094 fine ounces. In 1938, the corresponding production of gold from these same ores was only 4,447 fine ounces.

Two companies operate both mines and metallurgical plants in the Sudbury area. The International Nickel Company of Canada Limited conducts smelting operations at Copper Cliff and Coniston, Ont., while the Falconbridge Nickel Mines Limited smelts its ores at the Falconbridge mine located a few miles east of the town of Sudbury. This company treated its matte in a refinery located at Kristiansand, Norway, until the invasion of that country by Germany in 1940.

Since then arrangements have been made with the International Nickel Company of Canada Limited for refining treatment. The relatively small amount of nickel oxide produced at Deloro, Ont., is recovered from silver-cobalt-nickel-arsenic ores mined in Northern Ontario.

Smelter matte made by the International Nickel Company of Canada is treated in plants located at Clydach, Wales; Huntington, West Virginia; and Port Colborne and Copper Cliff, Ont. Converter copper made by International Nickel is electrolytically refined at Copper Cliff.

Kwangtung-Kiangsi
Highway Completed

SHUIKWAN, Oct. 28 (Central)—Transportation between Kwangtung and Kiangsi has been greatly facilitated following the opening of the newly-completed inter-provincial highway for traffic on October 25. The road passes through Shuikwun, Tpyi, Kanhsien, Hsingkuo, Taiho and Kiang. Large consignments of goods are now transported by trucks between the two provinces.

Canada's gold production for the first half of 1940 is valued at \$99,023,617 compared with \$87,581,061 in the first half of 1939.

This year's round-up was completed in four days, the entire herd being put through the corals, examined, counted and classified. Animals surplus to the requirements of the herd were selected for slaughter later in the year when the meat is prime.

The annual round-up of the Government herd on the Reindeer Reserve is staged on the summer range on Richards Island, a short distance off the Arctic Coast.

SECONDARY HERD

A secondary herd under Government supervision is located in the vicinity of Anderson River about 150 miles east of the main herd. This smaller herd was started in December, 1935, with some 950 deer placed under native management and is now estimated to comprise approximately 1,600 head.

Another step in Canada's plan to establish reindeer ranching among the Eskimo population will soon be undertaken when a second native herd will be established in November in the Horton River area, about 100 miles east of the first native herd.

Canadian
Securities
Vested In
TreasuryOrders Made Under
Defence Laws

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter)—A large group of Canadian securities, running into many millions of sterling, has been transferred to the Treasury by orders made under the Defence Regulations.

Two orders affect the Grand Trunk perpetual 4 per cent, consolidated debenture stock, a sterling issue of which there is about \$24,500,000 outstanding and on which interest is guaranteed by the Government of Canada, while a third order deals with some 60 issues of Canadian railways and Canadian companies payable solely or optionally in Canadian dollars.

These securities have been vested in the Treasury with a view to their realisation in Canada in such a manner that sales in Canadian markets will be orderly and subject to careful regulation with regard both to amount and time.

FIRST PAYMENT

The securities were vested in the Treasury on Saturday and first payments on them will be made on November 26.

Owners of the securities affected are asked to deliver them forthwith to the Bank of England. Payment will be made in sterling in London after delivery is completed.

It is hoped that a substantial part of the money involved will be transferred to war bonds.

In order to facilitate the arrangement for subscription of this money, the Bank of England will accept subscriptions for national war bonds of \$100 or any larger sums in multiples of one penny and the Post Office will accept subscriptions of £25 and upwards (subject to a maximum of £1,000).

For defence bonds subscription must be for £5 or a multiple thereof, and no person may at any time hold defence bonds exceeding £1,000.

Exports of lumber from Canada have been steadily increasing. Despite serious disruption of trade channels as a result of the war, exports of lumber during the nine months period from September 1, 1939 to May 31, 1940, rose to 1,550,000,000 board feet, an increase of 144,000,000 board feet over the corresponding period in 1938-39.

Petroleum production in Canada during the first half of the current year amounted to 3,981,029 barrels compared with 3,371,238 barrels in the corresponding period of last year.

Livelihood
Of Fukien
FishermenCONTROL BUREAU
TO BE FORMED

FOOCHOW, Oct. 28 (Central)—With a view to improving the livelihood of the fishermen along the coast and increasing output to replenish wartime finance, the Fukien Provincial Government has decided to establish a Fishing Industry Control Bureau early next month.

It is estimated that there are between 400,000 and 500,000 fishermen in the province. Since the outbreak of the war, the fishing industry has suffered greatly due to Japanese naval operations and consequently the livelihood of the fishing population has been in a deplorable state.

LOANS GRANTED

The purpose of the new bureau is to devise ways and means of reviving the industry and improving the methods, and instruments of fishing so as to increase output.

Meanwhile, loans are to be granted to the fishing people to open salt fields for salting fishes. Measures to improve the methods of marketing are also being considered.

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE. SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

| MONDAY 28 OCT. | | | | MONDAY 28 OCT. | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|-------|---------|------------------------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Buyers | Sellers | Sales | Nominal | Buyers | Sellers | Sales | Nominal |
| Banks | | | | Banks | | | |
| ... | ... | ... | \$1230 | H.K. Banks | ... | ... | \$1230 |
| ... | ... | ... | 287 | Do. (Col. Reg.) | ... | ... | 287 |
| ... | ... | ... | 282 | Do. (Lon. Reg.) | ... | ... | 282 |
| ... | ... | ... | 287 | Chartered Banks | ... | ... | 287 |
| ... | ... | ... | 287 | Mercantile Bks. "A" | ... | ... | 287 |
| ... | ... | ... | 2108 | Mercantile Bks. "C" | ... | ... | 2108 |
| ... | ... | ... | 272 | Bank of East Asia | ... | ... | 272 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | N. C. & S. Banks | ... | ... | 50 ct. |
| Insurance | | | | Insurance | | | |
| ... | ... | ... | \$175 | Canton Insurance | ... | ... | \$175 |
| ... | ... | ... | \$337 | Union Insurance | ... | ... | \$337 |
| ... | ... | ... | 81 | Underwriters | ... | ... | 81 |
| ... | ... | ... | \$150 | H.K. Fire | ... | ... | \$150 |
| Shipping | | | | Shipping | | | |
| ... | ... | ... | \$135 | Douglases | ... | ... | \$135 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Steamboats | ... | ... | 83 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Indo-China (Ref.) | ... | ... | \$100 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Indo-China (Def.) | ... | ... | \$100 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Shells | ... | ... | 35/0 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Waterboats | ... | ... | \$6.90 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc. | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | H.K. & K. Wharves | ... | ... | \$85 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Providents | ... | ... | \$4.60 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | H.K. Docks (Old) | ... | ... | \$18 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | H.K. Docks (New) | ... | ... | \$18 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Shanghai Docks | ... | ... | \$27 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Mining | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | 14/0 | Kailans | ... | ... | 14/0 |
| ... | ... | ... | 59 | Raube | ... | ... | 83 |
| ... | ... | ... | 12 cts. | Hong Kong Mines | ... | ... | ... |
| Lands, Hotels and Buildings | | | | Lands, Hotels and Buildings | | | |
| ... | ... | ... | \$3.20 | H.K. & S. Hotels | ... | ... | \$3.25 |
| ... | ... | ... | \$304 | H.K. Lands | ... | ... | \$304 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Do. 4% Debentures | ... | ... | \$100 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Shanghai Lands | ... | ... | \$3.40 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | H.K. Realities | ... | ... | \$7 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Humphreys | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Chinese Estates | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Cotton Mills | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Ewo (S.) | ... | ... | \$37 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Shai Cottons (S.) | ... | ... | \$180 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Zong Sing (S.) | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Wing On Textiles (S.) | ... | ... | \$125 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Public Utilities | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | H.K. Tramways | ... | ... | \$15.90 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Peak Tram (old) | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Peak Tram (new) | ... | ... | \$4 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Star Ferry | ... | ... | \$59 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Ymat Ferry | ... | ... | \$32 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | China Lights (O.) | ... | ... | \$6.70 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | China Lights (New) | ... | ... | \$4.40 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | H. K. Electric (Old) | ... | ... | \$37 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | H. K. Electric (New) | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Macao Electric (Old) | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Macao Electric (New) | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Sandakan Lights | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Telephones (old) | ... | ... | \$22 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Telephones (new) | ... | ... | \$9.50 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | S'pore Traction (Ord.) | ... | ... | ... |
| Industrials | | | | Industrials | | | |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Cald, Macq. (Ord.) | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Cald, Macq. (Pref.) | ... | ... | 50 cts |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Canton Ice | ... | ... | \$18.15 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Cements | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | H.K. Rope | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | H.K. Govt. Loans | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | 4% Loan | ... | ... | 86 1/2 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 1/2% (1934) | ... | ... | 85 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 1/2% (1940) | ... | ... | ... |
| Miscellaneous | | | | Miscellaneous | | | |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Dairy Farms | ... | ... | \$17.30 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Entertainments | ... | ... | \$6.80 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Constructions (old) | ... | ... | \$1.85 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Constructions (new) | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Lane Crawford | ... | ... | \$7 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Nanyang Tobacco | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Sincere | ... | ... | \$2.20 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Watsons | ... | ... | \$3.95 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Ch. G. 5% 1925-33 Bds | ... | ... | 35 1/2 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | H.K. Wing On | ... | ... | \$29 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Vibro Piling | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | Marmans Inv. (Lon.) | ... | ... | ... |
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| ... | ... | ... | ... | Wm. Poyalls | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 Sale to Shanghai | ... | ... | ... |

H.K. STOCK
EXCHANGE

The market remains quietly steady, with no shares available at quoted rates.

BUYERS

Hotels, \$3.20.
Lands, \$30.25.
Realities, \$3.35.
Trams, \$15.75.
Yammat Ferries, \$22.25.
Telephones (O), \$23.50.
Telephones (N), \$9.55.
Cements, \$18.10.
Dairy Farms, \$17.25.
Watson, \$9.
Entertainments, \$6.45.

SELLERS

Lands, \$31.
Yammat Ferries, \$22.75.
Vibro Piling, \$3.

SALES

Wharves, \$30.25.

TAXES INCREASED
IN JAPANESE
OCCUPIED AREAS

CHANGSHA, Oct. 28 (Central)—Chinese civilians in Japanese-controlled areas in northern Hunan are suffering from increased taxes and regulations imposed by the Japanese military authorities.

It is learned that the Japanese military authorities have instructed the so-called peace maintenance committee at Taolin to collect a head tax of \$1 per capita and a pail of rice from each household beginning December. Six thousand and five hundred piculs of rice are to be collected before the end of this month to replenish the Japanese army supply.

Yunnan Has
New Farm
Programme

In spite of Japan's threat of invasion the Yunnan Provincial Government is confidently launching a new agricultural programme. The province is divided into four agricultural regions, each of which specialises in developing farm products best suited for its soil and climate.

The promotion of agriculture will enable Yunnan to increase its food production by 2,000,000 piculs annually.

In promoting such a scheme, the authorities desire to increase the foodstuffs of the greatly-increased wartime population of Yunnan with the hope to boost the production of farm products with an export value. Attention is being given to coordinate agriculture and industry in the province. In sericulture especially, a ten-year promotion programme has been launched.

The provincial government is figuring that at the end of ten years Yunnan can produce 100,000 piculs of good-quality silk both for domestic and exports uses. It has been estimated that at least 2,000,000 mow of idle land will be utilised if this agricultural programme is fully carried out.

COTTON CULTIVATION

Next to the increase in raising silkworms is the cotton-promotion campaign of Yunnan. Cotton cultivation can be extended to more than 1,000,000 mow after ten years. Meanwhile Egyptian cotton, which is being popularised in the province, has great hope in Yunnan due to the province's ideal climatic and topographic conditions.

Extensive cultivation of sugarcane is also studied. Yunnan may become the second largest sugar-producing province, next only to Szechwan. The production of sugarcane will be increased to 200,000 piculs following a ten-year promotion plan.

The growing of cinchona trees will be popularised and 100,000 such trees will grow in the semi-tropical regions of Yunnan in the next decade. The planting of tung trees, tea and lacquer trees is also under the export direction of the provincial reconstruction bureau.

—(Central News).

One of the most effective slogans used in connexion with Canada's second war loan was the appeal "Buy Bonds to Beat Barbarism."

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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS
OCTOBER 28, 1940.

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| On London— | Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/4 |
| Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8 | |
| Credits 4 months sight | |
| On Shanghai— | |
| On demand | 37 1/2 |
| On Singapore— | |
| On demand | 52 3/4 |
| On Japan— | |
| On demand | 103 |
| On India— | |
| Telegraphic Transfer | 82 1/2 |
| and demand | |
| On New York— | |
| Bank Bills, on demand 22 7/8 | |
| Credits 60 days sight 23 3/4 | |
| On Batavia— | |
| On demand | 42 5/8 |
| On Paris— | |
| Bank Bills, on demand Nom. | |
| Credits 4 months sight Nom. | |
| On Saigon— | |
| On demand | 59 1/2 |
| On Manila— | |
| On demand | 45 3/4 |
| On Bangkok— | |
| On demand | 149 1/2 |
| On Sterling Notes— | |
| Bank Buying Rate Nom. | |
| Bar Silver per oz. | 23 1/2 |

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Monday, Oct. 28.
Silver prices were unchanged over the week-end, the quotations remaining at 23 1/2 for Ready and 23 7/8 for Forward. American Silver was unquoted.
The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 1/4.

MARKET

Quiet. U.S. Dollars were a shade steadier.

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/23 1/32 October/December, buyers at 1/3 for Cash.

U.S. DOLLARS

A small transaction was reported at 23 1/4 for Cash. The Market closed with sellers at 23 3/8 for Cash, buyers at 23 1/4 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Some business was done at 385 1/2, 384 3/4 and also 383 1/2. The market closed with sellers at 382, buyers at 383.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sellers of Sterling for Spot were quoted at the opening at 3/27 3/32 and closed steady at noon with sellers at 3/27 3/32 for Spot. U.S. Dollars were quoted at the opening at 5/15 1/8 and closed steady with sellers at 5/13 3/32 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

The market was quiet in the afternoon.

STERLING

Closed with sellers at 1/23 1/32 October/December, buyers at 1/3 for Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

Closed with sellers at 23 3/8 for Cash, buyers at 23 1/4 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

There were sellers at the opening at 378 and at the close sellers were quoted at 377.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Firm in the afternoon. Opened with sellers of Sterling at 3/27 3/32 and at the close sellers were quoted at 3/31 3/32 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened at 5/13 3/32 and closed with sellers at 5/11 3/32 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Oct. 28 (Reuter). Official T.T. Rates

| | Opening | Closing |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| London | 0/3-11/18 | 0/3-31/32 |
| New York | 5-5/8 | 0/3-31/32 |
| Japan | 23-7/8 | 0/3-31/32 |
| India | 20-3/8 N | 0/3-31/32 |
| Hongkong | 24-1/2 | 0/3-31/32 |
| Silver Duty Rate | | |
| The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/24. | | |
| The Equalisation rate was 24 1/2 per cent. | | |
| Sterling | | |
| Opening | 0/3-27/32 | 0/3-31/32 |
| Spot | 0/3-27/32 | 0/3-31/32 |
| Oct. | 0/3-27/32 | 0/3-31/32 |
| Nov. | 0/3-27/32 | 0/3-31/32 |
| U.S. Dollars | | |
| Spot | 23-15/16 | 24-1/8 |
| Oct. | 5-15/16 | 6-1/8 |
| Nov. | 5-15/16 | 6-1/8 |
| Market—Steady. | | |

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HONGKONGCOMMODITY MARKET REVIEW
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

| NEW YORK, October 28, 1940. | | Previous | October 26 | Change |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------|------------|---------------|
| SINGAPORE RUBBER | | Close | Opening | Closing |
| | Buyers | 38-1/2 | 38-1/2 | 38-3/4 |
| | Sellers | 38-1/2 | 38-1/2 | 38-3/4 |
| S P O T | | 38-1/2 | 38-1/2 | up 1/4 |
| JAN.-MAR. | | 36-3/4 | 36-3/4 | unch. |
| APR.-JUNE | | 34-5/8 | 34-5/8 | up 1/8 |
| The market was steady. | | | | |
| LONDON RUBBER | | Previous | Close | Today's close |
| | buyers | 11-13/16 | | |
| | Sellers | 11-13/16 | | |
| S P O T | | 11-7/8 | | Market closed |
| NOVEMBER | | 11-15/16 | | |
| DECEMBER | | 11-13/16 | | |
| JAN.-MAR. | | 11-13/16 | | |
| APRIL-JUNE | | 11-13/16 | | |

NEW YORK COTTON: The market today was inactive but prices held steady. Bombay interests appeared to be the principal buyers of late months.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Nervous liquidation on the European peace rumours depressed the market. There is little change in the cash situation and the market appears to respond easily to any purchases.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 131.18; Today's close, 132.26; Change, up 1.10.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

| | Prev. | Today's | Change |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|
| New York Cotton, Dec. | 9.57 | 9.54 | .01 off |
| New York Rubber, Dec. | 20.36 | 20.30 | .06 off |
| Chicago Wheat, Dec. | 87 | 84 1/2 | 2 1/2 off |
| Chicago Corn, Dec. | 62 1/2 | 60 1/2 | 2 off |
| New York Hides, Dec. | 12.68 | 12.55 | .13 off |
| NEW YORK COTTON | | | |
| Dec. (New contract) | 9.55/56 | 9.57/57 | .02 off |
| January | 9.47 N | 9.54/54 | .07 off |
| March | 9.54/54 | 9.53/53 | .01 off |
| May | 9.44 N | 9.43/43 | .01 off |
| July | 9.26/26 | 9.24/24 | .02 off |
| Oct. | 8.85 N | 8.84/84 | .01 off |
| Spot | 9.60 N | 9.59 N | .01 off |
| Total sales Friday—63,500 bales. | | | |
| NEW YORK RUBBER | | | |
| December | 20.40/40 | 20.30b/40a | .10 off |
| January | 20.20b | unquoted | 0 off |
| March | 19.93/93 | 19.85b/92a | .08 up |
| May | 19.75b/82a | 19.65b/82a | unch. |
| Total sales—550 tons. | | | |
| CHICAGO WHEAT | | | |
| December | 86 1/2/86 1/2 | 84 1/2/84 1/2 | 2 off |
| May | 85 1/2/85 1/2 | 83 1/2/83 1/2 | 2 off |
| Friday's sales—12,248,000 bushels. | | | |
| CHICAGO CORN | | | |
| December | 62 1/2/62 1/2 | 60 1/2/60 1/2 | 2 off |
| May | 62 1/2/62 1/2 | 60 1/2/60 1/2 | 2 off |
| WINNIPEG WHEAT | | | |
| October | 70 1/2 | 70 1/2 | 0 off |
| NEW YORK HIDES | | | |
| December | 12.50b | 12.60b/68a | .06 up |
| March | 12.13b/15a | 12.22b/35a | .09 up |
| Total sales for the day—43 contracts. | | | |
| NY Official Silver | 34-3/4 | unquoted | |
| NY-London Cross Rate | 4.03-1/4 | 4.03-1/4 | |

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

| London, October 25. | |
|---|---------|
| Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan) | 8 |
| Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) | 8 |
| Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924 | 24 1/2 |
| Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924 | 54 |
| Chartered Bank | 8 1/2 |
| H.K. & S'hai Bank (Lon. Reg.) | 62 |
| H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.) | 67 |
| Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer) | 14 |
| Chosen Corporation | 4 1/2 |
| Pekin Syndicate | 2 1/2 |
| S'hai Elec. Constr. Co. | 15 1/2 |
| S'hai Waterworks "A" | 13 1/2 |
| Union Insurance | 20 |
| Gula Kalumpung Rubber | 13 1/2 |
| B-A. Tob. (bearer) | 82 1/2 |
| Mercantile Bank | 10 1/2 |
| Dunlop Rubber | 30 |
| Bristol Aeroplane | 9 1/2 |
| Imperial Chemical Ind. | 27 1/2 |
| United Steel | 19 1/2 |
| Woolworths | 57 1/2 |
| Marsman Investments | 7 1/2 |
| Western Holdings | 9 1/2 |
| Sub-Nikel | 157 1/2 |
| Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer) | 35 |
| Nat. Defence Bonds, 3% | 101 1/2 |
| London-Midlands-Scot. 3% | 13 1/2 |
| Great Western Rly. | 33 1/2 |
| Nat. Bank of India, 3% | 25 1/2 |
| "bid. | ex div. |
| War Loan, 3% (Red. after 1952) | 101 1/2 |
| Canton-K'loon Rly. 5% Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue) | 30 |
| Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47 | 35 |
| China 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908 | 44 |
| Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912 | 12 |
| Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Lon. Is.) | 18 |
| Chinese 9% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers) | 9 |
| Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan | 41 |
| Honan Rly. 5% | 10 |
| Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue) | 12 |
| Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue) | 10 |
| Lung T'ing & U. Hal Rly. 5% 1913 | 8 |
| S'hai-N'king Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.) | 12 |
| Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.) | 8 |
| Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.) | 8 |

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

OCTOBER 27, 1940

| STOCKS | Last Sale | STOCKS | Last Sale |
|-----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|
| Oct. 26 | Oct. 26 | | |
| Adams Express | 51 | Loew's Inc. | 27 |
| Allegheny Steel Co. | 23 1/2 | Loft Incorporated | 21 1/2 |
| Allis Chalmers | 37 | Mack Truck Inc. | 28 |
| Aluminum Ltd. | 80 1/2 | Martin, Glen L. | 30 1/2 |
| Amer. Can. | 95 1/2 | McKesson & Robbins, pfd. | 39 1/2 |
| American Cyanamid B. | 34 1/2 | Montgomery Ward | 39 1/2 |
| Amer. & Foreign Power | 11 1/2 | M'tain City Copper Co. | 31 |
| Amer. Locomotive | 15 1/2 | National Aviation | 10 1/2 |
| Amer. Metals Co. | 16 | Nat. Dairy Products | 13 1/2 |
| Amer. Radiator | 7 1/2 | National Distillers | 20 1/2 |
| Amer. Rolling Mill | 13 1/2 | National Lead | 17 1/2 |
| Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co. | 43 | Nat. Power & Light | 8 1/2 |
| Amer. Sugar Refining | 13 1/2 | National Supply Corp. | 6 |
| Amer. Tel. & Tel. | 16 1/2 | New York Central | 14 1/2 |
| Amer. Tobacco "B" | 72 1/2 | Niagara, Hudson Power | 16 1/2 |
| Amer. Waterworks | 9 1/2 | N. American Aviation | 20 1/2 |
| Anacosta Copper | 23 1/2 | Northern Pacific | 7 1/2 |
| Archison, T. & S. Fe. | 17 | Owens-Illinois Glass Co. | 53 1/2 |
| Aviation Corp. | 41 | Pacific Gas & Elec. | 29 1/2 |
| Baldwin Locomotive | 16 1/2 | Packard Motors | 34 |
| Baltimore & Ohio | 41 | Pan-American Airways | 15 1/2 |
| Barber Asphalt Co. | 8 1/2 | Paramount Pictures | 8 1/2 |
| Barnsdall Oil | 8 | Pennsylvania R.R. | 23 1/2 |
| Bendix Aviation | 31 | Philadelphia Read. Coal | 37 1/2 |
| Bethlehem Steel | 84 | Phillips Petroleum | 37 1/2 |
| Bliss & Co. | 14 1/2 | Public Service of N.J. | 32 1/2 |
| Boeing Airplane Co. | 16 | Pullman Inc. | 26 1/2 |
| Borg-Warner | 20 1/2 | Pure Oil | 6 1/2 |
| Briggs Mfg. | 23 1/2 | Radio Corp. of Am. | 4 1/2 |
| Budd Manufacturing Corp. | 4 1/2 | Reading Company, Com. | 15 1/2 |
| Canadian Pacific R'way | 34 1/2 | Remington Arms Co., Inc. | 54 1/2 |
| Case, J.I. | 54 1/2 | Republic Aviation Corp. | 54 1/2 |
| Celanese | 27 | Republic Steel | 19 1/2 |
| Chesapeake & Ohio | 41 | Revere Corp. | 34 1/2 |
| Chrysler Corp. | 81 1/2 | Reynold Tobac. "B" | 43 1/2 |
| Columbia Gas & Elec. | 8 | Safeway Stores | 10 1/2 |
| Commercial Credit Co. | 30 1/2 | Schenley Distillers | 10 1/2 |
| Com. & Southern (Ord.) | 1 1/2 | Sears Roebuck | 78 |
| Consolidated Edison | 26 1/2 | Shell Union Oil | 9 1/2 |
| Consolidated Oil | 54 | Socony-Vacuum Oil | 7 1/2 |
| Continental Can. | 18 1/2 | Southern Pacific | 8 1/2 |
| Continental Oil | 20 1/2 | Southern Rly. 5% pfd. | 21 1/2 |
| Copperweld Steel | 7 1/2 | Spicer Manufacturing Co. | 3 |
| Curtis Wright (C.) | 27 1/2 | Standard Brands | 18 |
| Curtis Wright "A" | 20 1/2 | Stand Gas & Elec. | 18 1/2 |
| Deere & Co. | 20 1/2 | Standard Oil of California | 34 |
| Distillers Corp. Seagrams | 17 1/2 | Standard Oil of N.J. | 34 |
| Douglas Aircraft | 85 1/2 | Stone & Webster | 8 1/2 |
| Du Pont de Nemours | 17 1/2 | Studebaker Corp. | 8 1/2 |
| Eagle Picher Lead | 9 1/2 | Swift International | 18 1/2 |
| Eaton Mfg. Co. | 34 1/2 | Technicolor | 35 |
| Elec. Autolite | 68 1/2 | Texas Corp. | 34 1/2 |
| Elec. Bond & Share | 64 1/2 | Texas Gulf Sulphur | 29 1/2 |
| Elec. Bond & Share 5% pfd. | 73 1/2 | Timken-Axle | 29 1/2 |
| Elec. Bond & Share 6% pfd. | 70 1/2 | Trans-America Co. | 5 |
| Elec. Power & Light 7% pfd. | 40 1/2 | 20th Cent. Fox | 6 |
| Flintkote | 16 1/2 | Union Bag & Paper Corp. | 12 |
| Gen. American Trans. | 49 1/2 | Union Carbide & Carbon | 74 1/2 |
| Gen. Electric | 35 | Union Pacific | 81 |
| Gen. Motors | 50 1/2 | United Aircraft | 39 1/2 |
| Gen. Railway Signal | 12 1/2 | United Airlines Trans. | 18 1/2 |
| Gen. Tire & Rubber | 14 1/2 | United Corp. | 33 1/2 |
| Gillette Co. | 13 1/2 | United Corp. 5% cum pfd. | 14 |
| Goodrich (B.F.) | 13 1/2 | United Gas Corp. | 11 1/2 |
| Goodrich 5% pfd. | 57 1/2 | United Gas Improvement | 22 1/2 |
| Goodyear Tire & Co. | 17 1/2 | U.S. Industrial Alcohol | 22 1/2 |
| Great Northern Iron Ore | 15 1/2 | U.S. Rubber | 22 1/2 |
| Great Northern Rly. pfd. | 28 1/2 | U.S. Rubber 4% pfd. | 79 1/2 |
| Great Western Sugar | 19 1/2 | U.S. Smelting | 60 1/2 |
| Greyhound Corp. | 11 1/2 | U.S. Steel | 64 1/2 |
| Hercules Powder Co. | 75 1/2 | Vanadium | 35 |
| Homestake Mining | 28 1/2 | Vulcan Aircraft | 7 1/2 |
| Int. Nickel | 15 | Walworth Co. | 54 1/2 |
| Inter. Paper & Power | 15 1/2 | Warner Bros. Pict. | 108 1/2 |
| Int. Tel. & Tel. | 13 1/2 | Westinghouse Elec. | 30 1/2 |
| Kennecott Copper | 33 1/2 | Woodward Iron Cor. | 52 1/2 |
| Lakey Foundry & Mac. | 4 1/2 | Chase National Bank | 52 1/2 |
| Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass | 45 | National City Bank | 27 1/2 |
| Lockheed Aircraft | 28 | | |

DOW JONES AVERAGE

| 1940 | Oct. 25 | High | Low | Close | Change |
|------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| High | 131.16 | 131.16 | 131.16 | 131.16 | 1.10 up |
| Low | 131.16 | 131.16 | 131.16 | 131.16 | 1.10 up |
| Dow Jones Average | 131.16 | 131.16 | 131.16 | 131.16 | 1.10 up |
| Industrials | 23.57 | 23.57 | 23.57 | 23.57 | .08 up |
| Rails | 22.27 | 22.27 | 22.27 | 22.27 | .25 up |
| Utilities | 22.27 | 22.27 | 22.27 | 22.27 | .08 up |
| Bonds | 66.66 | 66.66 | 66.66 | 66.66 | .46 off |
| Commodity Index | 55.56 | 55.56 | 55.56 | 55.56 | .46 off |
| Business Done—420,000 shares | | | | | |

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| S.S. "PRESIDENT COOLIDGE" | Nov. 3 |
| S.S. "PRESIDENT TAFT" | Nov. 17 |

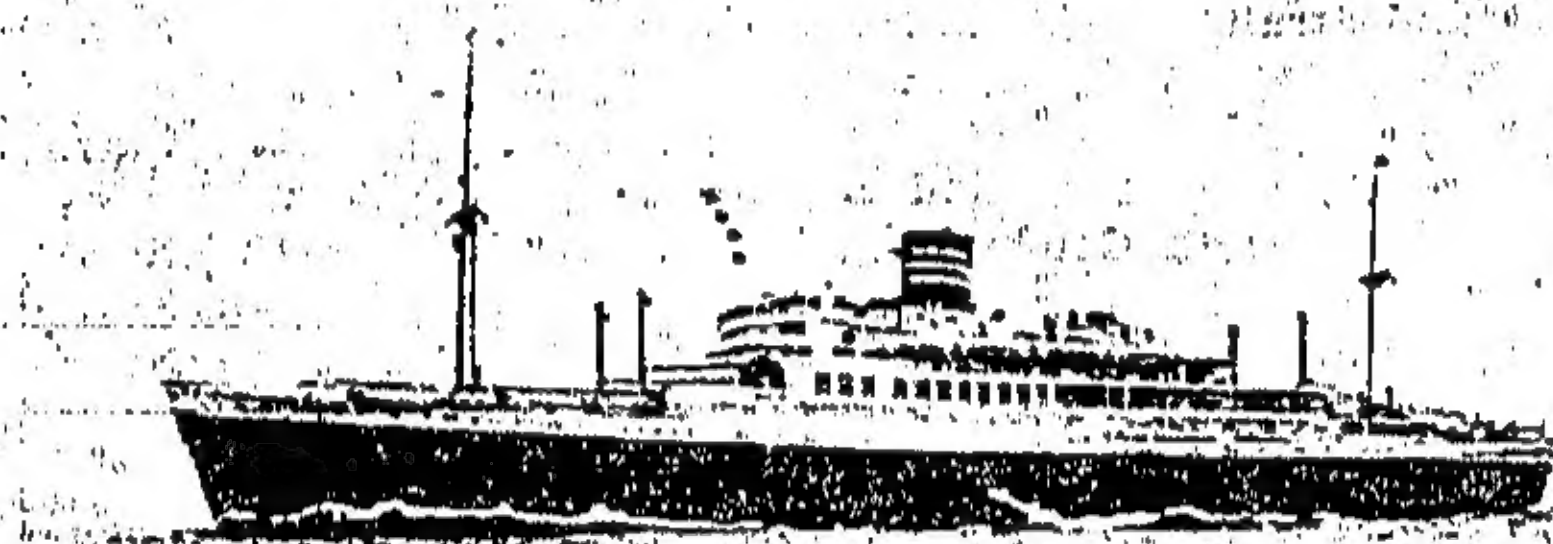
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|---------------------------|---------|
| S.S. "PRESIDENT ADAMS" | Nov. 20 |
| S.S. "PRESIDENT HARRISON" | Dec. 8 |

To SINGAPORE & PENANG
S.S. "CITY OF NORFOLK" Oct. 29

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Blackout exercises will take place on the nights of October 29-30 and 30-31, 1940.

In these exercises, the blackout will automatically commence at sunset (5.48 p.m.) on Oct. 29 and remain in force until sunrise (6.26 a.m.) on the morning of Oct. 31, when normal lighting and sea traffic will be resumed.

(1) External lights of every description on board vessels are prohibited, and all internal lights must either be extinguished or secured so that no light is visible either from above or from any other direction.

Note
Torches may be used to meet any special circumstance, but they must be screened with two thicknesses of ordinary blue close-woven cloth or paint.

(2) The following lights in the Hongkong area will be extinguished during the period of the blackout:—

Waglan Island, Tathong Point, Cape Collinson, South Lyemun, North Lyemun, Channel Rocks, Cust Rock, North Fairway Buoy, Central Fairway Buoy, South Fairway Buoy, Green Island, Cheung Chau Island Passage.

Normal lighting will be resumed on the night of Oct. 31/Nov. 1.

The Port will be closed to all inward and outward shipping at sunset on Oct. 29 to sunrise on Oct. 31, during which periods no movements of vessels, etc., will be permitted inside the Port.

Notes

(1) A restricted ferry service will be maintained by the Star Ferry between Hongkong and Kowloon subject to the provisions of paragraph 2 (1) which includes navigation lights, and in this connection the prescribed pier lights at Hongkong and Kowloon will be permitted provided that such lights cannot be seen from above and do not throw any light on to the water.

(2) Should the "Air Raid Warning" Signal be given while the ferry is under way, she must proceed to the nearest safe anchorage or pier until such time as the "Raiders Passed" Signal has been sounded.

COL. KNOX ON DEFENCE OF ENGLAND

CHICAGO, Oct. 28. (Reuter).—England's defence in the last three months by the magnificent R.A.F. was fundamentally only possible because the British Fleet was there to halt the Germans at the water's edge," declared Col. Frank Knox, U.S. Secretary of Navy, in a speech at Chicago yesterday.

The new United States Navy which would come into being in the next five years, he added, would be thoroughly competent to meet any possible combination of enemies that could be brought against the United States.

Canada's Growing Navy Further Augmented

Canada's steadily growing navy was further augmented when six of the fifty destroyers given by the United States to the United Kingdom, in return for leases on nine sea and air bases stretching from Newfoundland to British Guiana, were shortly to be commissioned as Canadian ships. In announcing this in a recent Press conference, Naval Minister Angus L. Macdonald said that the ships were now in Canadian waters and would be manned by 800 Canadians.

As a friendly gesture to the United States, the ships will be named after some of the rivers which form part of the fortress boundary between two good neighbours. These vessels will bear the names of Annapolis, Columbia, Niagara, St. Clair, St. Croix and St. Francis, and bring Canada's destroyer strength up to thirteen.

Mr. Macdonald states that the construction programme under way in Canadian shipyards was up to schedule. Of the 54 corvettes, or submarine chasers, on order, many have already been delivered and will be ready for service at an early date.

While the nature of the duties of the newly-acquired ships was not divulged, the Minister intimated some might serve overseas where four Canadian destroyers are already aiding the Royal Navy in keeping British waters clear of enemy submarines and other craft, in escorting convoys, and many other duties.

"An example of the rigorous service that ships of the Royal Canadian Navy are undergoing is the fact that from May 24 to Sept. 5 the Restigouche steamed 26,181 miles," he said.

There would be no difficulty in manning the six destroyers received from the United States, according to Mr. Macdonald, as at

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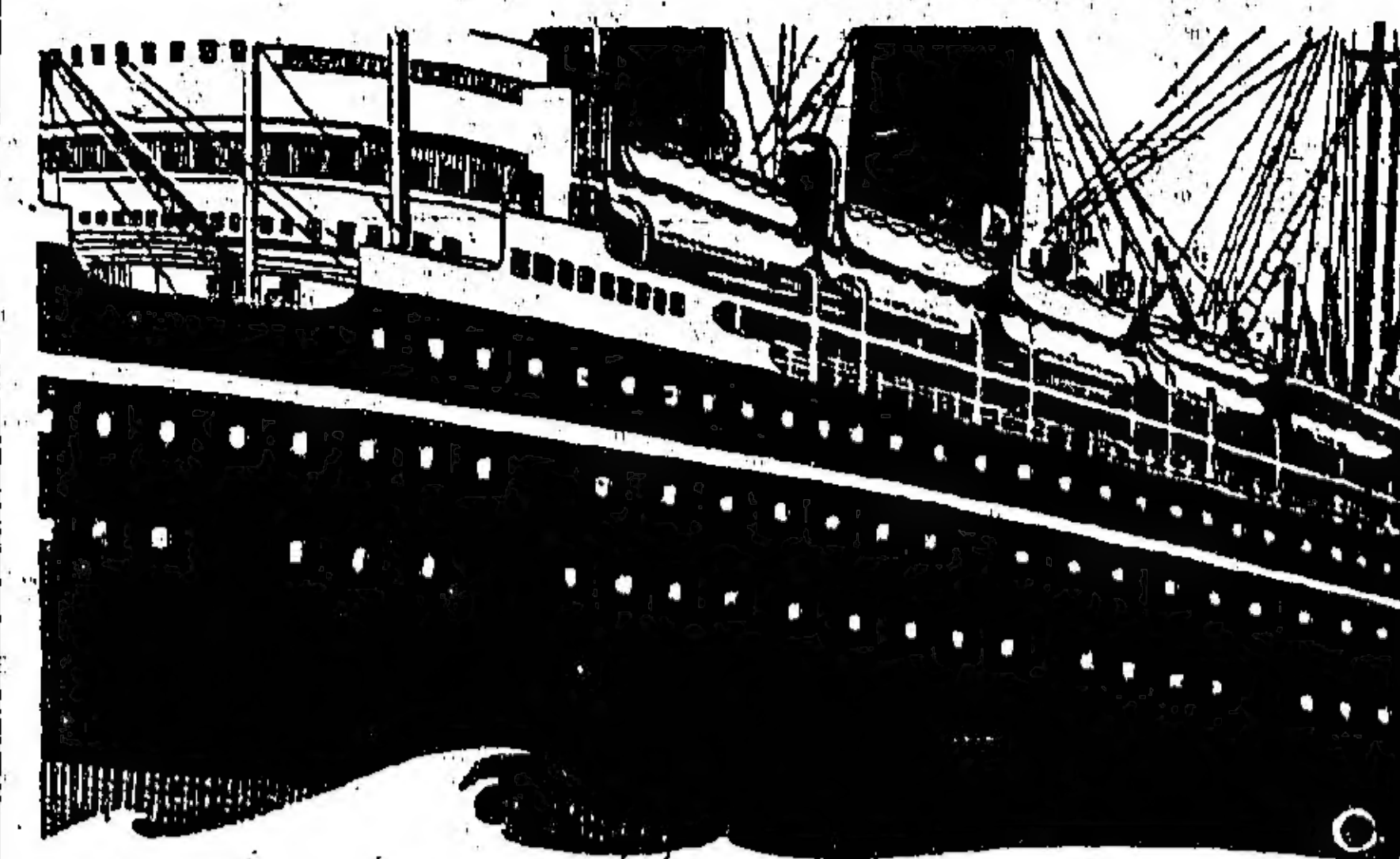
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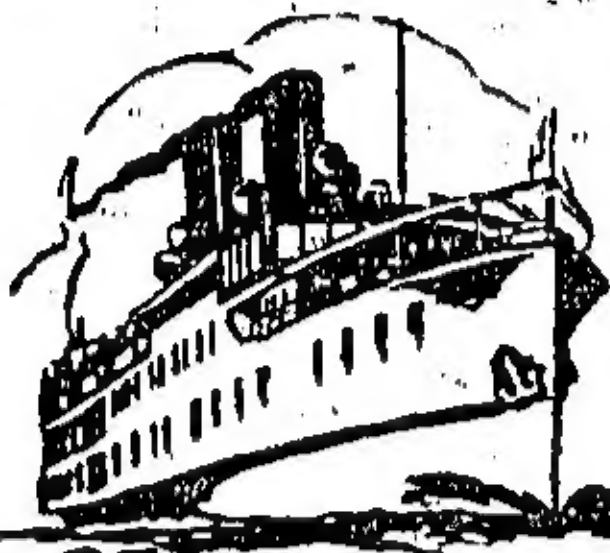
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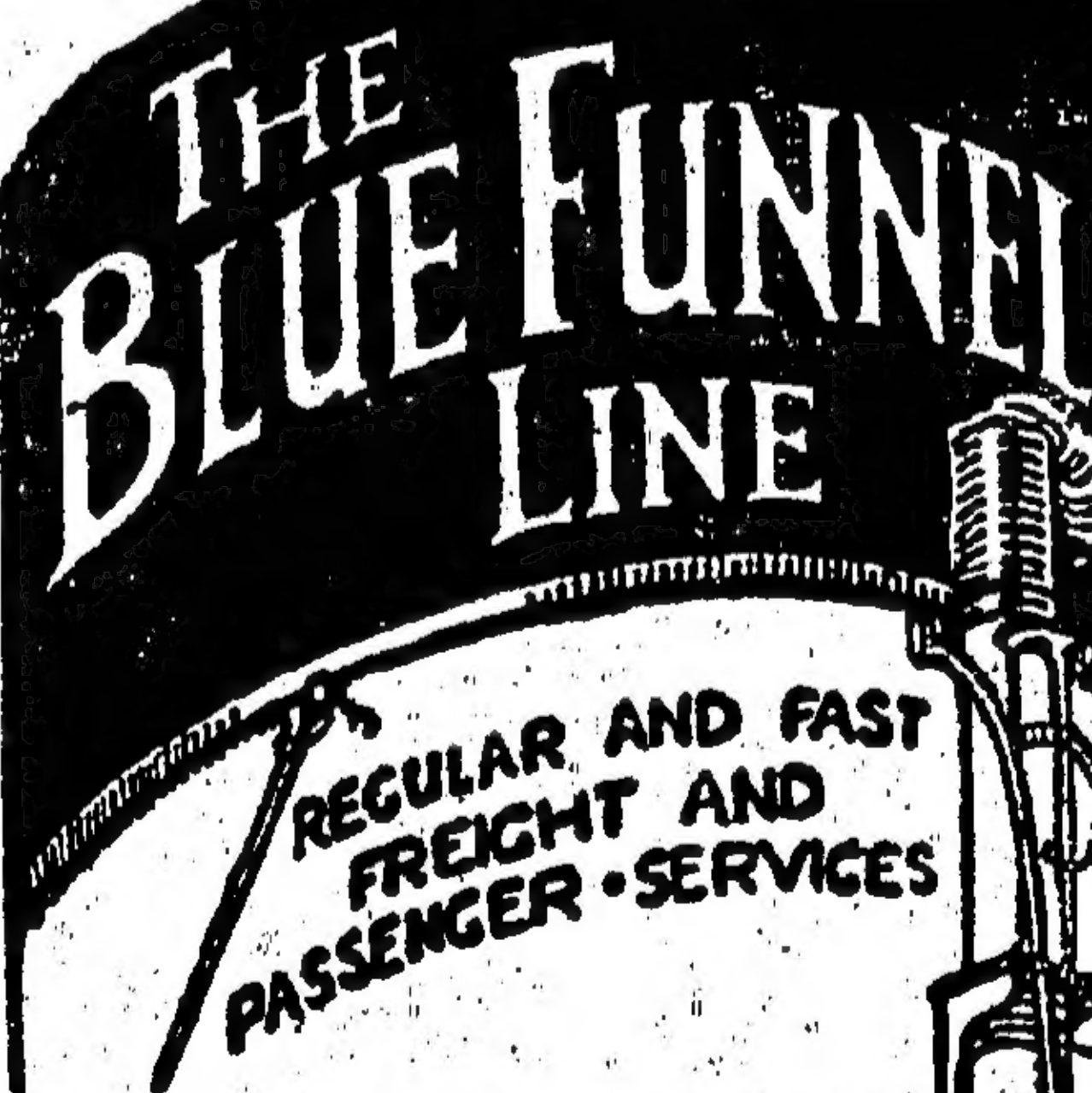
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are only meant to cover some future offensive here or elsewhere and gives the enemy time to re-organise for what they are planning. At the same time it also gives us the same chance of making our preparations to meet any such move and these preparations are going forward more swiftly than before. With Sir Charles Portal as Chief of the Air Staff, the Royal Air Force is getting ready for taking the biggest offensive the world has ever known.

"The men of the R.A.F. have more experience and while we are standing up to these raids, we are progressively improving our position and getting ready to meet anything that may come."

MOST SATISFACTORY

"That does not mean that we are not attacking now. The raids carried out on Germany have been most satisfactory and they bear to our strategic schemes for the future the same relations that the German under-cover attacks bear to their preparations, to their strategic schemes for the future. The only difference is that our bombing is more accurate. Last Thursday, the taxi driver who was taking me to my office made the perfect criticism of the German bombing from a military point of view. When I asked him why he did not take a certain road, he said: 'They have dropped a blinking great crater there, Sir!'"

"Holes in the ground do not seriously reduce our war effort. Of course, these bombs do a lot of damage by killing and wounding our people, but a great deal of this bombing has miscarried and it continues to be less and less effective, as these raiders are forced to keep under cover and fly very high.

"These machines are hard to intercept as they fly at over 30,000 feet. That means that our planes have got to make a longer climb and after 12,000 feet the rate of climbing is slower, as air gets thinner and wings do not get good grip. Fighting at a great height, therefore, is a difficult business and aircraft which are up there first start with a big advantage.

QUICKER CLIMBING

"But I believe that we are going to cope with this sort of daylight raider. We are going to use faster and quicker climbing machines and these are coming forward already. Their engines have been boosted up to give them more power, but power is not the only thing they have got. They have been improved in armour and armaments.

"As for the night bombers, we shall soon be able to defeat them too and I do expect a steady improvement in our results. We are putting forward many new machines like the Defiant, for this work with a fore-gun mounted in the power-operated turret behind the pilot, which will enable it to shoot at the enemy from any direction.

"This is a sign that a specialised form of night fighter will come into existence. It need not have quite the top speed of the day fighter, but it will have power to engage the enemy from all lines of flight.

"In the meantime, the officers and men of the Royal Air Force are looking to operating the new American machines, like the Brewster Buffalo, the Douglas Boston, the Curtiss 340, the Air Cobra, and the twin-engined Lockheed 328. I feel sure that these machines will be able to out-perform the latest German machines.

"There is one other type of plane which I must mention. This is the very large bomber. Most countries, and certainly the United States, have been playing about with very large bombers. Obviously, the striking power is dependant on the weight a machine can carry, so that a bigger machine will have a greater fighting power.

WORK UNDER COVER

"Today, most of the daylight bombing over this country is being done by fighters acting as bombers, while the medium-sized bomber has been forced to work always under cover. The big bomber of the future will also be forced to work under cover, so I look upon it as a night flyer. In these, as in all forms of air warfare, changes happen frequently and it is possible to put a bomber up very high, it might be possible to use it by day. That is the position of the big bomber.

"If one side can gain air supremacy, the position of the big

LESS ENEMY ACTIVITY OVER LONDON

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—There was less enemy activity over Britain generally on Sunday night than on the previous night and much less over London, states an Air Ministry communique.

The main attacks, which were made in the earlier hours of darkness, were directed on north-west England and the Midlands. Bombs were also dropped at a large number of points in other parts of England and South Wales.

Some damage and a number of fires were caused at Merseyside, and in one Midlands town but the casualties in these areas were not numerous.

In other parts of the country damage, which was limited mainly to houses, was small and casualties were almost entirely confined to one town in north-west England where some people were killed and others injured.

The latest reports show that in Sunday's air battles 10 enemy aircraft were destroyed and 16 British fighters were lost but six pilots are safe.

OIL TARGETS ATTACKED

Oil targets in Central and Northern Germany, communications in Western Germany and two invasion ports were attacked on Sunday night by R.A.F. bombers, states an Air Ministry communique.

CAIRO ALARM

CAIRO, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—Cairo had its first daylight air raid alarm on Sunday afternoon but no incident was reported.

A communique issued by the Egyptian Ministry of National Defence states: "At 3 p.m. on Sunday a small enemy aircraft dropped several bombs on the Eastern Desert all of which fell on the sand."

MALTA ENGAGEMENT

MALTA, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—Two enemy planes are believed to have been damaged when British fighters engaged an enemy formation which flew over the island at a great height yesterday morning. The official communique states that no bombs were dropped.

Anglo-Czech Alliance

KING, PRESIDENT
EXCHANGE CABLES

LONDON, Oct. 28 (RWS).—On the occasion of the recent signature of the military agreement between their two countries the King and President Benes exchanged the following telegrams:

"On the occasion of the signature of the military agreement between the British Government and the Provisional Czechoslovak Government I welcome the opportunity to express to Your Majesty sincere thanks for this new proof of the active sympathies of Britain. This further act of Allied co-operation will meet with glad satisfaction in my sorely afflicted country whose people it will encourage to redouble the opposition to German tyranny. Czechoslovak soldiers and airmen will be proud to be, as result of this agreement, more closely associated with their British brothers-in-arms whose dauntless exploits today arouse the admiration of the civilised world."

KING'S REPLY

His Majesty replied: "I much appreciate Your Excellency's message."

I and my people have watched with admiration the stubborn resistance offered by the Czech and Slovak peoples to German oppression and we are proud to have your brave soldiers and airmen at our side in the defence of this country and the cause of liberty in Czechoslovakia and throughout Europe."

bomber would be different and it might be able to work in the daylight and enhance the striking power of the air force.

"Behind the present German position and our own in connexion with the raids we are making, there is always preparation for the air campaign of 1941. Devices for countering the night and cloud bomber are being worked upon. The air war is going to mount in intensity and we believe that we are gaining technical and numerical strength. We are now stronger in the air than at any previous moment in the war."

PASSENGERS

DEPARTURES FOR THE NORTH

Travelling to Shanghai, where the show will open shortly, members of the Chang Theatrical Company, among them the Claire sisters, were transit passengers from Manila by the American President liner, the President Pierce, that left for the North late last night.

The Chang Theatrical Company, who had also a successful Hongkong engagement, have just completed a long run at the Metropolitan Theatre, Manila.

Passengers embarking at Hongkong included Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hill and Miss D. V. Hill, for Kobe; Sister Maria de Ponha and Sister Marie Burienne, Mr. Yip Yik-kum, Mr. A. B. Kopler, Mr. J. C. Gover, Mr. Ang Kong-seng and Mr. Ang Un-tok for Shanghai.

Passengers embarking here for Los Angeles were Mrs. Mary C. Muckley and Mr. J. W. Fisher. Passengers for San Francisco were Mrs. F. A. Howard, Misses Sheila and Ann E. Howard, Mrs. J. C. Davis and family, Miss Lillita Whitworth, Mrs. Gertrude P. Petrie, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Van Hino, Miss Esther Van Hino, Mr. F. A. Hill, Mrs. Amos Burg, Mr. Wong Toy-bick, Miss Moo May-wong and Show Moy Wong, Dr. and Mrs. Hsu Chien-lung and Mr. Hsu Wei-chum.

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Passengers for Amoy by a Dutch liner which left here yesterday were Miss L. Armentrout, Miss A. M. Carpenter, Mr. Takashi Inatsugu, Miss G. M. Rupert, Miss A. H. Schaefer, Mr. J. P. Snyder, Mr. Tomikichi Tanaka and Miss R. D. Westro.

Passengers for Shanghai by the same vessel were Mr. M. T. Greene, Mr. J. E. Howie, Mr. H. R. Huxson, Mr. Kattendijk, Mr. J. J. Kienhulzo and Mr. T. Muta.

Arrivals yesterday by the N.Y.K. liner Horuma Maru from Shanghai were Mr. P. J. Billimoria, Miss Olive L. Heakes, Mr. Jiki Kawai, Mr. Hiroshi Wada, Mr. Raki Kozaki, Mr. Koki Tin and Mr. Ganga Yamobasin.

A transit passenger by the vessel was Mr. Ghola Mohammed Khan, an Afghan diplomat, proceeding from Kobe to Bombay.

The following passengers arrived in Hongkong yesterday:

Mr. William A. Bowers, Mr. Chan Ho, Mr. Chou Prabhavardhana, Mr. Marie D. Cooper, Mr. J. B. Harrison, Mr. J. K. Hemmings, Mr. A. E. Hughes, Mr. N. D. Kishan, Mr. J. C. Kuril, Mr. Lam Tong, Mr. Lu Yuen, Mr. R. Nawalral, Mr. E. W. Nelson, Mrs. Carmen Nunes, Mr. Tsang Ku, Mrs. Troupe, Mr. Tung Ah Kiat.

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Mr. Hammer Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Z. Krosnowski, Mr. I. W. Snyder, Mr. Arthur P. Lazarus, Mr. O. D. May, Sister Josephine Millet, Lt. John E. Nardin, U.S.N., Mr. Eugene A. Richards, Mr. Tan Bai Kem, Sister Simone Presse, Mr. C. D. Ruggles, Mrs. F. E. Butler, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Gummur Fritzsche, Mr. Gordon Gonzalez, Mr. H. J. Heesch, Mr. Henry Heesch, Jr., Mr. Theodore Heesch, Miss Betsy Heesch, Rev. Fr. Joseph G. Doherty, S.J., Mrs. Mary Karstadt, Miss Dorothy Karstadt, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kinyon, Mr. Robert Kinyon, Mr. Reese Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McDairmont, Mr. Charles McDairmont, Lt. Baron Mullany, U.S.N., Mrs. M. H. O'Malley, Miss Anne O'Malley.

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STEADFASTNESS OF TURKISH PEOPLE

Turkey yesterday celebrated the 10th anniversary of the republic, states a message from London.

The Prime Minister, in a speech, said that the steadfastness of the people was realised today and in the past.

"We have faith and we will not hesitate to defend our independence."

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, 29th OCTOBER, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

The General Post Office will be closed at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 29th and Wednesday 30th October 1940.

Parcel post service to Canton is temporarily suspended.

The Imperial Airways Service between Hongkong and Bangkok is temporarily suspended. Air mail correspondence will be accepted at the existing rates of postage and will be forwarded by the first opportunity by steamer to Singapore to connect with the east and west bound air services.

An air mail service providing a connection with British Overseas Airways at Rangoon will be available during the period of suspension of the Hongkong-Bangkok Service. The postage rates for all destinations will be \$1.50 per 1 oz. for letters and \$0.75 each for postcards. Mail for this service should be superscribed "Via Rangoon" and bear the usual blue air mail label.

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| London and Straits | 31st Oct. |
| U. S. A. and Manila (Seattle date, 30th Sept.) | 1st Nov. |
| Australia and Manila | 1st Nov. |
| Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service," San Francisco date, 28th October | 2nd Nov. |
| Java and Manila | 2nd Nov. |
| London and Straits | 2nd Nov. |
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| London and Straits | 8th Nov. |
| U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai (San Francisco date 19th October) | 10th Nov. |
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| Calcutta and Straits | 11th Nov. |

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| SATURDAY | Sat. 2nd |
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